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AT A RIPE OLD AGE

Mrs. Judith Oglesby McClellan Passed Away at Her Home.

MANY YEARS RESIDENT OF THE CITY

Sketch of Her Life—Funeral Tuesday at 2 p. m.—Other Deaths in the City and County.

From the Daily of Monday.

Mrs. Judith Oglesby McClellan, wife of Edmiston McClellan, died on Sunday morning at 7:10 o'clock at her home on West Main street. Her death was due to a complication of diseases from which she has suffered for the past three years but was hastened by the contracting of a severe cold which settled on the lungs and finally developed into pneumonia.

Mrs. McClellan, whose maiden name was Judith Oglesby Snyder, was born near Flyo isburg, Oldham county, Ky., in January 31, 1824, and had she lived until the last of this month would have reached her 74th year. She came to Macon county when seven years old, her parents settling near Lovington. They removed to Decatur in 1836 and on September 30, 1842, she was married to Edmiston McClellan, going to housekeeping in the city She was one of the oldest residents of Macon county and was among the pioneers of Decatur there being but 125 inhabitants at the time of her marriage and Mrs. McClellan in speaking of her marriage often laughingly said that the entire town was invited and came She was thoroughly domestic in her tastes and was a most loving, and conscientious mother. Her death removes one of the oldest residents of Macon county and respected and honored citizens of Decatur.

Mrs. McClellan's husband survives her death, also seven children and 10 grandchildren. The children are Mrs Lee S. Elkin of Springfield and William McClellan of Kansas City, Mo; Mrs. O. B. Gorin, Mrs. Herbert Merriweather, Joseph, Jane and Edmiston McClellan of Decatur all of whom were with her at the time of her death. One son, Henry McClellan, is dead. The grandchildren are Mabel, Edward, Florence and Joseph McClellan, children of William McClellan; Miss Jessie Merriweather, Miss Gussie Gorin, Harry McClellan, son of Henry McClellan, and Judith, Edwin and Isabel Elkin.

The Funeral.

From the Daily of Tuesday.

The funeral of the late Mrs. McClellan, wife of ex-Circuit Clerk Edmiston McClellan, was held this afternoon at 2 o clock at the family home on West Main street in the presence of a large number of old friends and neighbors A number of court house officials were present, and there was a profusion of floral tributes. Appropriate music for the occasion was given by D L. Bunn, Mrs. Elizabeth K. Bunn, and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Ober.

The selections at the house were "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," "He Leadeth Me" and "Rock of Ages" At the cemetery "Life Has Many a Pleasant Hour."

The Sermon.

Rev Marion Stevenson, pastor of the Edward Street Christian church, had charge of the services. He spoke substantially as follows

"The hand of death stops us from life's work and holds us awhile beside the onrushing current of life while He demands of us an answer to the question, If a man die, shall he live again? Answer him quickly and bravely, Yes Faith, Hope and Love, children of our heart and brain demand it to satisfy their hunger and thirst, to strengthen them in their waiting in this weary world

We have sat at the feet of Socrates with Plato and say with the confidence of Cato,

"It must be so:
Plato, thou reasonest well."

So may we again say with the calm philosopher,

The soul, secured in her existence, smiles
At the drawn dagger and defies its point,
Unhurt amidst the war of elements,
The wreck of matter and the crush of worlds.

When we inquire of the mysteries of our physical being we are sure that "It is no more wonderful that we should live again than that we should live at all." As we stand at the side of the scientist to observe the eternal play of the life that thrills through nature, we may assert that what we call death ends nothing.

"When the seer
With vision clear,
Sees forms appear and disappear
In that mysterious round of change."

He says, and we repeat it,

"There is no death.
What seems so is transition."

He wastes his time who tries now to demonstrate immortality, and he insults our intelligence who seeks to prove it to us.

Yet after mind has given its judgment and our senses have recorded the experience, there is still mystery and questions remain unanswered. How are the dead raised? With what body do they come? What is their life, then, there? Here reason and sense fail; here is the opportunity and obligation of revelation. Paul told the Corinthian philosophers that the present body is as a seed. God will raise it then, by the same power that unlocks the earth to bring from sown seed life to adorn the earth in the springtime. The creative power that builds about human life, beast life, bird life, fish life, can and will build about the spirit life a "body of its own, as it shall please him." It shall be fitted to its environment and shall have the glory of its proper sphere. It shall be a body immortal, incorruptible and full of power. It shall be a body that serves the spirit as this present body obeys the soul. In this body we shall reign with Christ while he is "putting all his enemies under his feet" and when the heavenly city, the new Jerusalem comes down through the new heavens to the new earth we shall live as John saw in the closing chapters of his vision.

This is the sure hope of the Christian that brings him to death with a shout of triumph, never a wail of defeat. This is the bright light that reveals a safe path through the valley of the shadow of death.

After a long life in which she accumulated the enduring qualities of true womanhood as maid and mother, woman and wife, the one who has gone received a few years ago the germ of the new life when she received Christ. Now this body withered and wasted by years is a seed, soon to be sown, buried in the earth, waiting the morning of the new springtime of God's resurrection day."

The burial was in Greenwood cemetery. The pall bearers were W S. Grubb, I. N. Cool, Peter Loob, B. Z. Taylor, R. G Peddicord and M. F. Kanan.

From the Daily of Monday.

Elizabeth S. Law.

Elizabeth S. Law died at her late home in Mt. Zion township Saturday, January 8, of the grip, aged 78 years. Deceased has been ill for a period of over three weeks and from the first of her sickness until her death, grew continually worse. Mrs. Law was the widow of the late Robert Law and was one of the old settlers of the county. She was born at Newark, New Jersey, in 1820, and had been a resident of Macon county since 1859. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. James Ballinger, a resident of Wheatland township. The funeral took place from Shady Grove church, two miles east of Elwin at 10.30 a m. today, the services being in charge of Rev. W. L. Bankson, of Blue Mound.

Passed Away.

Mrs. Jane Desire Tousley Rockwell, aged 90 years, mother of Mrs Dr. S. T. Trowbridge, died December 30 at the home of her daughter at Napa, Cal. She was a native of Upper Canada, and for a time resided with the Trowbridge family in Decatur.

George A Morgan.

Sunday morning at 6 o'clock George A. Morgan died of typhoid fever at his home at Morgansville near Blue Mound, in the 32nd year of his age. The deceased was a son of William Morgan, a merchant, and had been ill but a short time. The funeral took place today at 11 a.m.

Adele Wissen.

Adele Wissen, the 16 year old daughter of Mr and Mrs. Joseph Wissen, died Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the family residence, No. 830 South Colfax street. Her death was caused by consumption. Besides her parents, she leaves two sisters, Laura Wissen and Mrs. Alfred Shower, and one brother, Walter Wissen.

Died in California.

Dr. J. M. Coykendall, formerly a resident of Camargo, and for many years noted as one of the most successful physicians in Douglass county, died of consumption a few days ago at Pasadena, California. Owing to his penchant for speculating in options, the doctor committed a number of forgeries amounting to $2265, and he was indicted. He first fled to Texas, later going to California.

A Sudden Death.

Artemus Hawes died suddenly Sunday morning at about 10 o'clock at the home of his step daughter, Mrs. Hastings in Illini township. He was an old man and his death was due to heart trouble.

Mr. Hawes and his wife lived with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hastings, on their farm three miles north of Warrensburg. He was 84 years old and had been blind for some time past. He suffered somewhat with heart trouble but he was not thought to be ill enough to need the services of a physician. Sunday morning he was in bed in his room. Miss Stella Hastings, who was helping care for him, noticed that he was breathing rather hard and left the room to call Mrs. Hawes. When Miss Hastings returned to the room she found Mr Hawes dead.

Coroner Bendure was notified and this morning Deputy Coroner Roy Bendure held an inquest at the residence. Mrs. Mary Hawes, the wife of the deceased, and Miss Stella Hastings, testified as to the death. The jury returned a verdict that death was caused by syncope superceded by arteio sclerosis, which means that the blood had become cold and thick and stopped circulating. The jury was composed of Dr. W. A. Melton, Jr., Dr. H. M. Newkrok, J. R Willard, J. E. McGrath, S. P. Brown and J. M. Eaton.

Artemus Hawes was born at Warish, Mass., and was 84 years old. He has lived in this county for the past 13 years, making his home with the Hastings family. The funeral will be held Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock from the residence and the burial will be at the Illini cemetery.

A New Grain Office.

T. E. Price and Company have opened a branch grain and stock exchange in the city with offices in the Fenton block. They will publish a market letter and will give quick service to their patrons. The firm has offices in Chicago, New York and St. Louis. T. A. Clesse, Jr., will have charge of the local branch.

THE JANUARY TERM

Of the Circuit Court Opened This Afternoon with Judge Vail on the Bench.

MEMBERS OF THE GRAND JURY

Were Given Their Instructions and Retired for Work—Petit Jury is Drawn—Criminal Cases Taken Up.

From the Daily of Monday.

The January term of the circuit court of Macon county opened this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. There are several hundred cases this term but there is not nearly as much business as there was the last term. Today the grand jury was instructed, the petit jury drawn and the cases on the criminal docket were taken up.

Frank Taylor was appointed court bailiff. Sam Stabler will have charge of the grand jury and W. J. Magee and Thomas Richardson are grand jury bailiffs.

Grand Jury.

The following are the names of the grand jury, J. B. Nowlin of Austin township, being appointed as foreman:

Austin—J. B. Nowlin.
Blue Mound—H. L Swarthout.
Decatur—Robert Foster, William Leake, E. P. Reynolds, G. F. White.
Friends Creek—E. Querry.
Hartistown—Frank Crum.
Hickory Point—C. A. Thrift.
Illini—F. W. Crosser
Long Creek—Peter T. Van Duncan, John Phillips
Maroa—Frank Potter, Albert Gessman.
Milam—William Gibson.
Mt. Zion—J. F. Roberts
Niantic—Michael Hober.
Oakley—T. J. Manocke.
Pleasant View—J. K. Hardy.
South Macon—W. H. Willoughby and Fred Joster.
South Wheatland—J. M Hutchinson.
Whitmore—George W. Betzer.

Judge Vail gave the customary instructions to the grand jury. He explained to them their duty and told them briefly how to conduct their work and stated that the oath which they were required to take was a clear guide for their work.

Petit Jury.

The following are the names of the petit jurors who have been drawn and from whom will be chosen those who are to hear the criminal cases:

Decatur—Charles Brookway, William H. Cox, John Penlwell, E T. Coleman, James A. Bowman, George W. Fisher, C. E. Conley.
Pleasant View—Edward Day.
Blue Mound—James Chapman.
Maroa—John Anderson.
Whitmore—W N. Allen and William Parmenter
Friends Creek—Morris Augustus and John Armstrong.
Oakley—James Folk, Joseph Dennis, C. E. Baker, William Bittrick.

After the preliminary matters were settled the cases on the people's docket were taken up.

Ordered Sold.

Judge Hammer in the county court has ordered the sale of personal property belonging to the estate of the late C. A. Ewing. The property consists of 15 shares in the Decatur Gas Light and Coke company, a law library of 486 volumes and unpaid accounts due the firm of G. W. Ehrhart & Co, of which the deceased Mr. Ewing was a member. The property was ordered to be sold either at public or private sale, whichever would realize the most money. The court issued the order on the petition of H L. Oldham, administrator of the estate.

Town Collector's Bond.

L. E. Davis, collector for Austin township, filed in the office of the circuit clerk today his bond for $21,800.10. His bondsmen were L. O. Davis, James M. Randolph, G. A. Randolph and P. Major.

Sales of Real Estate.

Frances J. Fitzwilliam to James Jackson, a tract of land in 24, 16, 3 east; $6000.

Susan H. Abel to Clara L. Abel, lot 1, in block 1 in Stephen's addition to Decatur; $790.20.

Births.

To Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Somerville, on North Main street, Monday, January 10, a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Price, southwest of the city, Monday, January 10, a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ed Harris, 1843 North Main street, Monday, January 10, a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Quickel of Casner, January 6, a son.

To Charles Abbott and wife, 1205 North Edward street, January 8, a son.

Revival Closed.

Rev. A. M. Danely closed the revival services at Elwin Sunday night. The meeting proved to be both of interest and profit to the church. One new member joined the church Sunday night and others will unite later. Rev. Danely will preach at the Blue Mound chapel Wednesday night.

John Melhorn Dead.

Sunday night John Melhorn, grain buyer and a bachelor, died of heart trouble at his home at Blue Mound. He was past 60 years of age.

ILLINOIS NEWS ITEMS.

A number of parties, composed of residents of Peoria, are making preparations to go to Klondike in the spring.

The Republican Editorial association met Tuesday at the state house at Springfield.

Robert B. Reeve, one of the oldest residents of Morgan county, is dead. He was 68 years old.

G. A. Whitman has leased the Windsor hotel at Bloomington to A. W. and L. J. Kohler for a term of years.

The members of the Mt. Pisgah Baptist and the Union Baptist churches at Bloomington are having a law suit over the ownership of a silver communion set.

Elam Curtis was arrested several days ago at Danville on a charge of having tortured and robbed an aged couple at Veedersburg, Ind.

The annual convention of the International Bricklayers' Union convened Monday forenoon at Peoria, with a large attendance.

James Connolly, who has for many months past been in jail at Paris, Ill., on a charge of inciting Bertha Watson to murder her infant child, is to be let out on bail.

Allen Ferris of Taylorville has been arrested for shooting quail out of season, and plead guilty to every count and was fined by County Judge Grundy $3000 for the offense.

The Swine Breeders' association is in session this week at Taylorville. Besides the holding of business sessions there will be a combination sale of hogs.

The city of Mattoon has offered a reward of $200 for the arrest and conviction of Frank Smith alias Banta Smith, who is thought to have murdered Minnie Taylor at Mattoon on November 18.

Daniel Risher, an old resident of Clinton, died at his home in that city Sunday. He had a fad for collecting funeral notices and at the time of his death had accumulated 303 of them.

Reports show that the attendance at the University of Illinois at Champaign has been increased 15 per cent this year.

Jimmy Curl, a 13 year old boy living at Paris, Ill, was arrested a few days ago for stealing articles from lock boxes in the postoffice.

The annual exhibit of the Illinois State Poultry, Pigeon and Pet Stock association is being held this week at Danville. A large number of fanciers are exhibiting poultry.

Eugene Tuttle of Peoria is still missing. He has not been seen for about a week and the police have no clue as to his whereabouts or his motive for leaving.

The cigar makers of Canton, Ill., about 500 in number, threaten to go on a strike on account of a reduction of wages from $8 to $6 per thousand.

Preparations are being made at Bloomington for a May festival It will be given under the direction of the Bloomington Carnival association and will continue for one week beginning May 30

Mary Briscoe of Springfield, the mother of the child who was murdered by James Mingle, is quoted as saying that she does not want the criminal hanged.

The Withers public library at Bloomington is being entirely refurnished. The directors have made plans to expend about $1000 for new fittings for the place.

The new Methodist church at Bethany was dedicated last Sunday. The dedication sermon was preached by Rev. S H. Whitlock and addresses were made by Rev. J. H. Crowder, Rev. McIntosh and Judge Cochran.

Lemon Provin had F. E Harrold, principal of the DeWitt school, arrested for punishing him for unruly conduct in school The case was tried and Harrold, the principal of the schools won the case.

The Draper murder trial at Jacksonville is still in progress The attorneys have succeeded in securing a jury after working for about a week examining jurymen. The opening statements will now be made and the evidence introduced.

THE BANKS.

Result of Annual Elections Held on Tuesday for Directors.

The election held yesterday for directors of the Citizens' National Bank resulted as follows: Milton Johnson, W. H. Starr, I. R. Mills, G. J. Danzeisen, J. N. Baker, J. B. Bullard, J. C. Peck, H. E. Foster, J. A Dawson.

The directors held a meeting at the bank last night and elected the following officers:

President—Milton Johnson.
Vice President—J. G. Danzeisen.
Cashier—J. A. Dawson.
Assistant Cashier—J. N. Baker.

The bank declared its usual dividend at the meeting in December, payable in January. During the history of the bank it has never had a more capable or efficient directory than the one just elected.

Millikin National Bank.

The Millikin bank re-elected the old board of directors, as follows: James Millikin, Orlando Powers, William T. Vandeveer, J M. Brownback and O. B. Gorin. The directors will meet in a few days and elect officers.

Double Wedding at Justice Shorb's Office.

There was a double wedding at the office of Justice of the Peace W. H. Shorb, at high noon Monday. Miss Mamie Lally and Oliver Moreland of Decatur and Miss Tempie A. Leedy of Lovington and Cleophus F. Spurling of Hammond were the happy principals in the affair, each couple being witnesses to the marriage of the other.

THE DEATH ANGEL.

Supervisor Henry F. May Passed Away at His Home Last Night.

QUICK WORK OF THE SILENT REAPER

Illness Extended Through a Period of Six Weeks Caused by an Attack of the Grip — A Merchant, Veteran and Leading Citizen.

From the Daily of Tuesday.

Readers of the Republican and citizens generally will be shocked to learn that Supervisor Henry F. May passed away in death last night at 10:05 o'clock at his home on West Macon street Although he had been seriously ill for a period of six weeks, due to an attack of the grip, death came suddenly to Mr. May, and at a time when the members of the family believed that he was gaining strength. Mrs. May, the devoted wife, and S. D. May, had assisted the sick man to arise from his bed, when it appeared that he had suddenly become weak and helpless He was placed in bed and a messenger was hastily sent for Dr. E J. Brown, who responded at once. But it was too late Mr. May passed away and was beyond the power and skill of the doctor. The Great Physician had entered the home and had taken away husband and father. The end had come.

During his illness much solicitude was felt for Mr May. The attack of the grip was followed by pneumonia. There were days when it seemed that he would soon be up again, but he would be taken worse again.

Mr. May was a native of York county, Pennsylvania, where he was born May 5, 1845, being in the 53d year of his age. He came to Illinois with his parents, Mr and Mrs Henry May in 1848 or 1849 and settled with them on a farm in Wheatland township, growing to young manhood there. Later his father abandoned farm life and came to Decatur, engaging in the grocery business on East Main street. In 1871 he took his son, Henry, into partnership with him and they were engaged in the business together for several years, when the father retired and S. D. May became a partner in the firm it then being known as H F May and Brother. This partnership existed at the time of the senior member's death. At the outbreak of the war Mr. May enlisted as a member of Company C of the 116th regiment and served about one year, being honorably discharged from the service on account of disability. At the beginning of the gold excitement he went to Colorado and remained there for several years, at a time when Denver was but a small town. About 1878 he went to Dodge City, Kansas, and for four years was engaged in the milling business there, returning to Decatur in 1882 and since then giving his entire attention to his grocery business. The mill in which he had become finally interested was known as the St. Clair and was a former enterprise of this city having been located on North Water street. It was removed to Dodge City and a number of Decatur men were afterwards interested in it.

The deceased was a member of Ionic Lodge of Masons, Macon chapter, Beaumanior Commandery Knights Templar and Dunham Post, G. A. R. In all of these societies he took an active part. Mr May is survived by his wife and two sons, Charles, 18, and Walter 9. His brothers are S. D. May, Marion May and his sisters, Mrs. H. C. Kaylor and Mrs. Isaac Cornthwaite of Wheatland township, Mrs J A Bohrer of South Mayd, Texas and Mrs. George McCoy of Colorado

The death of Mr. May removes from the home a devoted husband and indulgent father and from the community a business man of sterling worth. He was a strong man in every sense, a leader in all affairs in which he became identified, and was held in the highest esteem by his neighbors and friends. He had been a member of the Macon county board of supervisors for several terms, had been chairman of the board and was supervisor for Decatur township at the time of his death. He had also served the Third ward as alderman. In politics Mr. May was a Republican, always being active and influential in political affairs. Socially and in every other respect Mr. May was genial and popular. All will feel that in his death the community has indeed suffered a loss.

CIRCUIT COURT.

The Larceny Case Still on Trial Before Judge Vail—Entries on the Dockets.

From the Daily of Tuesday.

The first case taken up in the circuit court was that of P. Schwartz and William Swager, charged with burglary and grand larceny. Attorneys Leforgee and Lee are appearing for the defendants and State's Attorney I. R. Mills is conducting the prosecution. The defendants are accused of having taken about $350 from John Miller at the Park hotel in the month of February, 1895. Miller was in toxicated and when he came to his senses he found that he had lost his money. He accused the two of having stolen it but they claimed that they did not even know he had any money. Yesterday afternoon a jury was secured and today the introduction of evidence began. The jury is composed of the following: James A. Bowman, Morris Augusta, C. E. Conley, E. R. Culver, C. W. Fisher, E. T. Coleman, J. W. Armstrong Joseph Dennis, James Folk, William Bittrick, Louis Davis and John Armstrong.

ELECTION OF 1872.

Hon. Job A. Race Corrects a Statement.

Editor Republican: Some time ago you published a statement giving a history of the elections for members of the legislature since the introduction of minority representation under the constitution of 1870 in the senatorial districts of which Macon county has been a part. Your statement that the first election under the minority representation plan was held in the district consisting of Macon and Dewitt counties in 1874 is incorrect in this, that the first election was in 1872 at which election W T. Moffett and Job A. Race were elected to the house of representatives as Republicans, the minority representative being Tillman Lane of DeWitt county. M. Donahue of DeWitt was a holdover senator, having been elected under the old regime in 1870. This legislature was an important one, as it revised the statutes to conform with the new constitution and had a very long session. Shelby M Cullom was speaker of the house and the session was the 29th. Maj. James A Connelly was in the house

Job A. Race.

Paris, Ill., Jan. 11, 1898.

(The Republican accepts the correction and thanks Mr. Race for it The error in leaving out the election of 1872 was made because the senatorial elections were taken as the basis and it did not occur to the writer that M. Donahue, the senator held over after the minority representation plan began to operate and as the first senatorial election occurred in 1874 it was taken that that was the first election. This gives the Republicans one more victory to their credit during the period while Macon and DeWitt counties formed a district and while Macon and Logan counties formed a district. The election of 1872 was a famous election. It was then that the Democratic party and the so-called liberal Republicans tried to elect Horace Greeley and the Republicans swept the country. Mr. Race and Mr. Moffett were elected by great majorities.—Ed.)

A MISSING MAN.

Rev. I. Villars is Looking for His Son—Formerly of Macon.

The following paragraph relates to a son of a former minister of Macon, well known in Decatur:

Chicago Times-Herald, January 11: N. S. Villars, a grocer of Lake Bluff and a son of Rev. I Villars, rector of Grace Episcopal church, is missing. He was last seen in Chicago December 26, when he was met by Dr C. G. Trusdell and Judge Pierce. He was then on his way to the Northwestern depot, carrying several packages. Suspicion of foul play is expressed by his relatives and friends, but the police are inclined to think that Villars voluntarily disappeared No motive, however, can be found. His business was successful, he owed no money and had no bad habits. Villars is 33 years of age, six feet tall, sandy complexion and weighs 150 pounds. He wore side whiskers but no mustache. He was clad in a blue molton overcoat, gray outaway coat and vest, dark blue trousers and a black Derby hat. A badge of the Sons of Veterans was pinned on his vest.

Annual Election.

The stockholders of the Citizens' National Bank held their annual election of directors today at the bank. The polls were open from 10 a. m. until 4 p. m. and during that time the stockholders cast their ballots for nine directors of the bank.

Those whose names were on the ballot for directors are as follows: Milton Johnson, W H Starr, I. R. Mills, G J. Danzeisen, J. N Baker, J. B Bullard, J. C. Peck, H. E. Foster and J A. Dawson. All of the above have been serving in the capacity of directors excepting Mr. Starr, Mr. Mills and Mr. Foster, who are candidates for the election to fill the places made vacant by the resignations of H. H. Wise, M. L. Deck and Levi Towl. The latter also retires from the position of vice president of the bank

The newly elected directors will hold a meeting either this evening or within a few days and at that time the various officers of the bank will be chosen.

Prohibitionists—Take Notice.

There will be a meeting of the Prohibition party of Macon county on the 29th day of January, 1898, for the purpose of selecting 18 delegates to attend the state prohibition convention to be held at Peoria, Ill., on Wednesday, June 1 and 2, 1898. Prohibitionists of every township in Macon county are earnestly requested to send representatives to this meeting. Other business of importance to the party will be transacted. Place of meeting Gebhart's block, No. 1100 North Water street, 10:30 Saturday morning Dr. A. D. Bridgman, B. F. Cloud, S. E. Coy, Rev. A. W Hawkins, Dr. M. V. Lonergan, D. L. Bunn, attorney, J. S. Starr, Rev. Marion Stevenson, A. J. Miller, D. L H. Clark, Prof. J. H. Coonradt, T A. Dunn, Rev. M. B. Spayd, Geo. F. Hall.

Marriage Licenses.

Ollie Moreland, Decatur, 26.
Mamie Lallay, Decatur, 21.
Cleophus F. Spurling, Hammond, 21.
Tempie A. Leedy, Lovington, 21.

Case of Diphtheria.

A new case of diphtheria has been reported at the Burgess residence at 504 East Olive street.

RECEIPTS LIGHT.

Very Little Grain Has Been Delivered in the City During the Past Week.

PRICES REMAIN ABOUT THE SAME

Live Stock a Little More Plentiful Than It Has Been—Prices Offered for Poultry and Eggs.

The deliveries of grain in this city during the past week have been very light, in fact there has been scarcely any grain at all delivered. The reason is that the rains have but the roads in such a bad condition that it has been almost impossible to do any hauling. The week before the deliveries were heavy and the farmers seemed to be very well satisfied with the prices offered by the local mills. There has been no change this week in the prices and as soon as the roads are in better condition it is expected that the deliveries will be large. The prices offered by the Shellabarger Mill and Elevator company are as follows Wheat 90 cents per bushel, No 2 turkey 88 cents; white corn 24 cents, mixed corn 22 cents, white oats 20 cents, mixed oats 18 cents, rye 25 cents per bushel.

Live Stock.

The amount of live stock offered for sale by the farmers is increasing and the supply is becoming more plentiful than it has been. The prices are as follows, there being very slight changes during the past few weeks: Steers $3.50 to $4.50, cows and heifers $2.10 to $3.50 hogs $2.50 to $3.15, sheep $3 to $3.50, calves $3.50 to $4.

Poultry.

While the demand for poultry has been good the deliveries have been very light during the week, mainly on account of the impassable roads. Max Atlas offers the following for poultry: Hens 5 cents per pound, springs 6 cents, stags 4 cents, roosters 3 cents, hen turkeys 9 cents, gobblers 8 cents, old toms 6 cents, ducks 5 cents, geese 5 cents.

The price offered for eggs is 14 cents per dozen. Most of the eggs now handled are packed eggs, but if the warm weather continues the fresh eggs from the country will begin to come in and the price will go down. If the weather turns cold the price will remain the same if it does not go up higher.

Hides and Tallow.

Max Atlas pays 3 cents per pound for hides and 3 cents per pound for tallow.

JIM MINGLE TO HANG.

Gossip About the Springfield Man Who is to Stretch Hemp.

Jim Mingle is soon to be executed in the county jail at Springfield for the murder of an infant. Sheriff Baxter will execute the man, but he will not use the Decatur scaffold because it is six inches too wide for the jail corridor. He will have a new scaffold built, and have it put in place.

Springfield News: I was talking to Jim about his chances for going to heaven yesterday," said Mary Briscoe to a News reporter, "and, do you know he thinks he will get there." Mingle had been talking to her in his usual vein, reiterating his declarations of innocence and told her that he expected to receive the heavenly mercy due to an innocent man He told her that he had professed religion and since his incarceration had realized how greatly he had erred at times and had repented and asked for and expected forgiveness. Mary, however, has her own ideas on the proper method to reach that haven of rest. "I am a Methodist and what little Bible teaching I have had tells me that if Jim murdered our baby there is no way that he can go to heaven," she said. "But if he did not commit the deed he may get there.'

She still claims to be firm in her belief that someone else knows more about the butchery of her and her babe than Mingle, and is of the opinion that something startling will develope

Death in Ohio.

Joseph Dunn, brother of Mrs. Connolly, wife of Congressman Connolly, died on Sunday at his home at Mt. Vernon, Ohio, aged 83 years. Mrs. Connolly was too ill to attend the funeral.

Lord Rayleigh of the Royal institute, maintains that the foam of the sea is caused by seaweed.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 1898.

There is but little doubt as to the outcome of the impending struggle between the Republican and Democratic parties on the currency question. The one has again declared its firm support of what it has always upheld, the policy of keeping every dollar as good as gold, and the other is reiterating its intention of supporting the half fiat theory of free silver and seems to be about on the verge of declaring in favor of absolute greenbackism and the issuance of unlimited and irredeemable paper money by the government.

Mr. Teller is still distressed about "dear China" and the aggressions of European powers there Can it be that the fears that China will abandon the silver standard when she gets an infusion of European ideas and sound business judgment? And can it be possible that the effect which such action would have upon the market of the product of the silver mines of Colorado has anything to do with Mr Teller's burning zeal in behalf of the Chinese government?

Young Mr. Bryan's little theories that it would be proper and honest for the debtors of the country to pay off their mortgages and other debts in 50-cent dollars because since they had borrowed those dollars wheat and other articles had decreased to one half their former value, thus appreciating gold, have fallen rather flat, since wheat went up to one dollar and the farmers of the country have been paying off those debts with dollars worth one hundred cents each.

Christmas expenditures are a certain indication of the condition of the people and the presence or absence of prosperity through the country. The postoffices of many cities furnish evidence of a large increase in the sale of postal orders over last year. Various cities report large numbers of remittances to foreign countries from citizens in this country Chicago reports the domestic money order business for the week preceding Christmas a record breaker, over $100,000 being sent by this means in a single day.

Nothing can be more satisfactory than the swelling evidence that debts are being paid off all over the country. The vast numbers of farm mortgages which have been lifted during the season indicates a condition which is satisfactory to every patriotic American. As the first opportunity, an honest people, after a period of hardship and indebtedness, pay off these honest debts, and the people of the country have been doing this with the money received from their crops, paying dollar for dollar, each dollar worth on hundred cents, alike equitable to debtor and creditor.

A TARIFF FOR PROTECTION.

There is scarcely a doubt that the Dingley tariff law is a success as a revenue producer But suppose it were a failure in this respect, that would not prove the theory of the bill incorrect. The Dingley bill was intended to protect American industries by making the tariff high enough on goods we can manufacture for ourselves to prevent Europe monopolizing our market with goods manufactured by cheap labor Since the bill became a law the tables have been completely turned from the conditions which prevailed under the Wilson tariff. Our mills have been starting up, idle men, made idle by the operations of the Wilson tariff, are finding employment at good wages, and soon the country will again be back to the normal conditions of prosperity which have always prevailed in this country under protective tariffs A protective tariff law, of course, is intended also to produce revenue, but not at the expense of protection and for this reason a protective tariff law might be all right in principle and in results and yet fail as a revenue measure. This is not true, however, as to a "tariff for revenue only," or a free trade tariff. Such a bill has but one object, namely, to produce revenue and if it fails in this particular, as did the Wilson bill, it is a fraud upon the public treasury as well as upon the people A tariff for revenue only bill does not take into account the protection of American industries The Democratic convention of 1892 declared that a protective tariff is unconstitutional, and, therefore, it may be said the starvation which followed the Wilson bill must have been constitutional as well as the deficiencies in the treasury.

The Ohio Muddle.

Those half dozen members of the Ohio legislature who call themselves Republicans, who, in defiance of the fact that the Republicans in all but one of the counties in the state instructed for Mark Hanna for United States senator, which action was endorsed by the Republican state convention not only refuse to obey the wishes of their constituents, but have conspired with the Democrats to defeat the will of their party, may defeat the party, but each one of them will, at the same time furnish the subject for his own political funeral So far these traitors have failed to furnish any excuse for their conduct. Evidently it is inexcusable and prompted only by selfishness or spite. In the matter of electing a senator, the people who elected these men to the general assembly have passed upon who the senator shall be and their representatives are estopped from following their own prejudices. If they felt they were unable to carry out the wishes of the people they should have refused to accept the trust. If they held mental reservations on that matter until they were elected they acted the part of scoundrels. There is only one logical and honorable course open to them and that is to ratify the expressed wish of the Republicans of Ohio.

Mark Hanna, by the action of the Republican convention was just as much a candidate before the people of Ohio for United States senator as Bushnell was for governor and the result of the election made him the choice of the state for senator as much as it made Bushnell their choice for governor. This is all there is to it. Anything else is not only dishonest but outrageous There is no mistaking the fact that a man who is dishonest in politics, who betrays the people who elected him, cannot be trusted anywhere, where self-interest is involved, any more than that he who is dishonest in business cannot be trusted in politics

It would be bad enough under the conditions by which Mr. Hanna is the candidate for senator, if these men were to try to elect some other Republican than the one endorsed by the people, but when they go into a conspiracy with the Democrats to beat their own party they are entitled to no respect

One of them attempted to justify his course on the ground that when McKinley was governor he opposed Foraker and used the state patronage to aid in the election of John Sherman and that Foraker's friends are now getting even This explanation, however, does not reach the bottom fact. The Republicans in that case had not endorsed any one for senator and the governor and members of the assembly were free to support whom they desired and Foraker was defeated without the opposition to him forming an alliance with the Democrats to defeat him. He was fairly beaten by the Republican votes and without resort to treason to the party.

Build Our Ships at Home.

Salt Lake Tribune: A sister ship of the St Paul, the City of Paris, was built across the sea, and the money was distributed among the subjects of her majesty, and the English and German governments understand all this so well that none of their subsidized ships can be built outside their own shipyards. But the employment of home workers and the keeping of home money among our own people is but a part of the benefit. When the civil war broke out in 1861 our merchant marine was of more tonnage than that of any other country The ships had all been built in the United States. The result was that the northern seaports were filled with export artisans; we had ample shipyards and docks, the first Monitor was built in 60 days, and when the war closed we had the most powerful war navy in the world Buying foreign ships not only drains a country of money, but leaves uncultivated the eyes and hands of a people Of course all this is but an old argument, but it seems necessary to repeat it very often to the American people

Two-for a-Quarter Veracity.

American Economist: An observing correspondent of the American Economist writes from Canton, Ill, December 11, drawing attention to the fact that the Democratic papers of that city in their editorial columns insist that better times have not come as the result of the advent of the McKinley administration and the Dingley tariff law, while in their advertising columns appears the advertisement of a Democratic merchant containing the following affidavits:

State of Illinois,
County of Fulton

R. B Divilbiss, being first duly sworn, on oath, states that he is the proprietor of the Dave & Dick Gents' Clothing and Furnishing House of Canton, Illinois, and that the sales of the aforesaid house for the month of November, 1897, were 178½ per cent in excess of the sales for the corresponding month of November, 1896 R B Divilbiss.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of December, 1897
George W Powell,
Notary Public.

State of Illinois,
County of Fulton,

Mrs. H. B. Heald, cashier and bookkeeper of Dave & Dick's Gents' Clothing and Furnishing House of Canton, Illinois, being first duly sworn, on oath, states that the sales of the aforesaid house for the month of November, 1897, were 178½ per cent in excess of the sales for the corresponding month of November, 1896 Mrs. H B. Heald

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The case at Canton is only a fresh illustration of the extreme difficulty experienced by free trade papers in telling the truth when by so doing they are forced to acknowledge the benefits conferred by protection. They will do it at so much per line, and take it out in trade at that, but not gratuitously.

This is not saying that free trade editors are totally destitute of conscientious scruples. We would not go so far as to assert that. There are scruples and scruples. For example, the man who defined his position concerning veracity after this fashion:

"Do you think," said he, "that I would tell you a lie for 15 cents? No, indeed, but I might tell you two for a quarter"

FREE TRADE PREDICTIONS.

Wheeling Intelligencer: Not many years ago very little silk was manufactured in the United States, and some knowing gentlemen were predicting that the industry never could amount to anything here. They predicted it just as they predicted the same thing regarding tin plate, steel rails and a great many other things that we are now making in enormous quantities. This also has been the history of the silk industry. Under protective tariff laws it has grown from a small beginning until it is becoming one of the most important industries in the country. Very little silk plush has been made here, and now with the raise of the duty by the Dingley bill to a protective point there is encouragement for the development of a plush industry which will keep millions of dollars that have been going abroad within the boundaries of our own country. It is only another one of the object lessons illustrating a plain business proposition, but which the free trade theorists and doctrinaries refuse to see.

Logical Prosperity.

Eighteen hundred and ninety seven has been in the main a year of prosperity. Eighteen hundred and ninety-eight is to be a year of still greater prosperity.

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The early part of 1897 felt the quickening throbs of a returning prosperity and increase in business, and when President McKinley was inaugurated in March, the people looked forward with confidence to a gradually improving condition until the country should reach its old time condition of plenty and happiness. The president immediately called a special session of congress for the purpose of enacting a protective tariff which should reopen the factories of the United States. The great work of revising the tariff on a protective basis and striking from the statute books the free trade Wilson law went on rapidly and was promptly signed by the president. Even before this climax and in anticipation of it, business began to take long strides forward. Announcements were made of factories opening all over the land and thousands of workmen were given regular employment who had been working on half time or less, and living from hand to mouth or starving Business revived steadily, and the people of the country gathered confidence in themselves and in the future The country has looked to the new tariff law as its assistant in bringing a return to prosperity. Chairman Dingley of the ways and means committee, which framed the law, said in speaking of it:

"Natural laws will bring about a return of prosperity by themselves. A period of activity always follows a period of depression. But we can pass a tariff which shall assist the operation of natural laws, a tariff which shall restore industries suffering the effects of too much foreign competition, and which will in turn help others to get on their feet. We will keep out some of the foreign goods and we will put more people to work in our own country. The secret of the prosperity of any people is the steady employment and the purchasing power of the masses. We do not delude ourselves with any notions that a tariff has omnipotence, but it is important to the country that we have a tariff which will aid and not retard business activity in our country."

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This clearly expresses the sentiment of the Republican party on the tariff And so far the new law has done well Industries have revived, wages have increased, and there is less and less complaint of hard times, except among the professional calamity wailers. The production of many important articles has been the largest in the history of the country. Our exports have been enormous. Their excess over our imports reaches $350,000,000, beating all previous records. At first it was claimed that the new law was a miserable failure as a revenue producer. But lately the revenue has so rapidly increased that it is now apparent that before many months it will fully meet the expenditures. This was not to be expected immediately after its passage, owing to the large anticipatory imports during the last few months of the Wilson law. But the receipts under the Dingley law have increased each successive month since its enactment, until in December the treasury actually found a surplus of nearly two million dollars staring it in the face It is true, the expenditures in December were very light, but it is confidently predicted by treasury officials that it is only a question of a few months when all monthly deficits will be wiped out, and the Dingley law will have justified all claims of its friends. The gold raids which excited the country during President Cleveland's administration have become a thing of the past, and, indeed, December, 1897, sees more gold in the treasury than at any time since President Harrison's administration The figure reached is over the 160 million dollar mark.

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One thing, and by no means the least, which has contributed to the prosperity of the country, has been the extremely satisfactory condition of the farmers We have had in all sections abundant crops, and our farmers have realized large prices for them Conditions in other countries have been such as to create a large demand for our agricultural products abroad, the demand in our home market has increased with the increased millions paid to our wage earners and prices of all farm products have reached a high point, which has brought hundreds of millions of dollars into the pockets of the farmers to enable them to pay off debts, lift mortgages and undertake improvements which they have not been able to do for many years. The rise in prices came so early that the farmers themselves have realized the entire benefits of the advances. According to the figures on the wheat crop it seems that from the latest estimate the yield has been 103,000,000 greater than it was last year. The farmer had not only this increase in the number of bushels to sell this year over last year, but he netted at least 25 cents per bushel more for it than he did last year.

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On the whole, the American people and the Republican party have ample cause for congratulation, both for the result of the past year and for the abundant prospects of the new year.

LUCKY MICHIGAN MAN.

Mr. Brewer Tendered a Position as Member of Civil Service Commission.

Washington, January 8.—Ex-Representative Brewer of Michigan has been tendered the position as member of the civil service commission. He has the matter under consideration. Mr. Brewer is the personal selection of the president.

Fireman George Evans, at work on the new heating plant of the U. of I. at Champaign, fell 45 feet and was not injured except the breaking of two ribs.

Contrast—The goodness of ourselves and the badness of others.

ILLINOIS NEWS ITEMS.

Richard Kelly, one of the old residents of Lexington, Ill, fell dead at his home on Thursday.

One person at Urbana recently received a county order for $10.75 for killing 536 sparrows.

The St Clara hospital at Lincoln is soon to be considerably enlarged.

The firemen's convention will be held at Champaign next week. The first session will be held Tuesday

Peoria has begun suit against James Millard to recover $14,860.15 alleged to be shortage in the accounts of Mr. Millard as special tax collector.

The Federal Labor Union of Peoria has passed resolutions against the city council granting franchises to corporations.

The members of the Bricklayers' and Brickmasons' International union of America are in session at Peoria. Several hundred delegates are in attendance

The proprietors of the Argenta Hustler, F. and H. F. Mettler, have sold their paper to G F. Dunham and L. E Evans and the latter firm has assumed control.

The farmers' institute at Bloomington will be held in the court house at that city on Thursday and Friday of next week.

The city hall at Bloomington, which has been remodeled and improved at a cost of about $8000, was thrown open for public inspection yesterday.

Tons of corn stalks are being hauled to the Marsden factory grounds at Chenoa and stacked for use when the factory is built next summer

The Draper murder case at Jacksonville, which has attracted considerable attention, is still on trial. The attorneys have not yet secured a jury to hear the evidence.

The Iroquois county farmers' institute will be held at Watseka on January 19 and 20. There is to be a poultry exhibit in connection with the institute

Eugene Tuttle, a well known man of Peoria, is missing. He was last seen several days ago when he started to go skating and nothing has since been heard of him.

Rev. W. H Carter, a colored evangelist, who has been conducting meetings at a church in Bloomington, has been arrested on a charge of being connected with the disappearance of a watch at Mastoon. The preacher denies the charge.

Sues the Fidelity Company

Carlinville, Ill, January 8.—The estate of John R Richards of Bunker Hill has brought suit against the Fidelity and Casualty Company of New York to recover $10,000 due on an accident policy carried by the mayor who was killed by Captain Hedley, editor of the Bunker Hill Gazette and biographer of the late Walter Q Gresham

The insurance people refuse to pay, claiming Richard's death was not an accident and could have been avoided. Whether the company will be compelled to pay depends upon the result in the disposition of Hedley, who was indicted for manslaughter, but whose indictment was quashed on a clerical error. If he is again indicted at the next term of court and convicted, the evidence will compel the honoring of the Richards policy.

This introduces new complications, making the legal battle even more bitter. The grand jury will convene in two weeks.

The person who disturbed the congregation last Sunday by coughing is requested to call on H. W. Bell or N. L Krone and get a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar, which always gives relief.

The Petersburg Woman's club celebrated Christmas by sending baskets of food to 54 families and gave toys to 144 children.

Mrs Mary Bird, Harrisburg, Pa, says, "My child is worth millions to me; yet I would have lost her by croup had I not invested 25 cents in a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure" It cures coughs, colds, and all throat and lung troubles. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

C H Giffin of Marsa bought of W. R. Doak 37 head of very fine and uniform hogs, seven months old and weighing 324 pounds each

Mrs. M B. Ford, Ruddells, Ill, suffered for eight years from dyspepsia and chronic constipation and was finally cured by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for all stomach and liver troubles. H. W. Bell, N. L Krone

L Banta of Emden is arranging to ship a carload of corn to Corinth, N.Y., where the price is 60 cents a bushel. He expects to make a good profit after paying $87 freight on the load Mr Banta is moving to New York.

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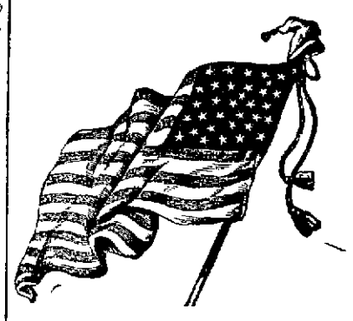

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SULLIVAN ROBBERY

Thieves Entered the Postoffice Last Night and Stole Money and Stamps.

ABOUT $400 IN CASH WAS TAKEN

Besides $600 Worth of Two Cent Stamps and $150 Worth of One Cent Stamps — Broke in the Back Door—Blood Hounds Out.

From the Daily of Saturday.

The postoffice at Sullivan was entered by burglars last night and a large amount of money and postage stamps stolen. The robbers managed to make their escape with the valuables and there is no clue to their identity or whereabouts.

The robbery occurred some time during the early hours of the morning. It is thought about 3 o'clock. The theft was not discovered until the postoffice was opened for business this morning. It was then found that the robbers had entered the place by breaking open the back door. They had blown open the combination of the safe and then tore the door off the hinges. In the safe was about $400 in currency, $600 worth of two cent stamps, $150 worth of one cent stamps and others of different denominations. All of the money and stamps had been stolen.

A man who is employed in a bakery shop and who works during the night heard the explosion when the safe was blown open about 3 o'clock in the morning. He thought nothing of it, however, until the discovery of the robbery was made this morning. The blood hounds at Sullivan were immediately ordered out this morning. They took a scent at the postoffice building and followed it to the depot, where the trail ended at the railroad track. Near by was found a money order which had evidently been thrown away. It is supposed that the burglars went immediately to the depot and boarded a freight train, which passed through the place at an early hour this morning. No one had been seen about the place who is held on suspicion and it is thought that whoever committed the robbery were not long in the town. A new lot of postage stamps had just been received by the postmaster and it is thought possibly that the robbers were acquainted with this fact. The manner in which the safe was blown open showed that it was the work of professionals. The police in all of the neighboring cities have been notified of the robbery.

PYTHIANS AT MAROA.

Installation of Officers of Royal Lodge No. 109—Banquet.

From the Daily of Saturday.

The officers of Royal Lodge, No. 109, Knights of Pythias, at Maroa, were installed last night by J. B. Dinges, deputy grand chancellor, assisted by J. M. Dodd, John Allen, Arthur McNabb, E. S. Millspaugh, Dr. Ball and J. J. H. Young. The attendance was quite large. Those officers were installed:

C. C.—John S. Magrue.
V. C.—Frank Potter.
Prelate—C. F. Schenck.
M. of W.—P. J. Huff.
K. of R. & S.—J. W. Dill.
M. of F. C.—D. Schenck.
M. of E.—H. G. Kepler.
M. at A.—George Airhart.
I. G.—J. A. Roby.
O. G.—John Schenck.

After the installation the rank of esquire was conferred upon William Biddle, who was just 21 when he took the rank of page. Then came the banquet at the John Schenck restaurant, where the home knights and visitors were given a pleasing surprise by the unexpected presence of the ladies, wives, sisters and sweethearts of the Maroa knights. Responses to the toasts were made in a felicitous manner by Brothers Applegate, Waller, Potter, Friedman, Ball, Dill, Allen, Dinges, Dodd, Millspaugh, McNabb, Wellipp, Costello and others whose names eluded the reporter's notebook. Royal lodge is one of the strongest in membership and work in the county.

The officers of Fern Leaf Lodge at Argenta will be installed next Thursday night.

BELIEVES DURRANT WAS CRAZY.

Opinion by a Decatur Minister on the California Hanging.

In speaking of the condition of Durrant's mind, and his last strange acts, Rev. George F. Hall, pastor of the Church Street Christian church, said:

"I have never believed that Theodore Durrant was guilty of the murder of Blanche Lamont and Minnie Williams. Since my first visit to San Francisco three years ago, shortly after the crime was committed, I have watched the progress of the case with much interest. But Durrant's acceptance of the Catholic faith in his last hours is to my mind the best evidence of a mental disarrangement which may have all along existed and which possibly led him to the awful deed with which he has been charged. I can understand how the ignorant and depraved criminal can accept extreme unction, or anything else that promises conscience relief, when he is in sight of the gallows. Fear often prompts a so-called conversion, and the Catholic church is always quick to take advantage of such circumstances. But how an intelligent, cultured gentleman like Durrant, a man schooled in the Baptist church from his childhood, devout, earnest, regular in his spiritual duties, could make so pronounced a change in his religious views on such short notice can only be accounted for in one of two ways, either a possible pique because of a real or imagined neglect on the part of his former church associates or a wandering, unstable mental adjustment. Personally I accept the latter theory, and now more than ever before believe less in the man's guilt. His calm but dramatic utterances in the hour of his death I would label as so much gush. Dragging the holy name of God into the discussion is out of all reason. God had nothing to do with it. Suppose it may yet be learned that Durrant was truly innocent. Then what will those good people say who have been claiming that his execution was a just punishment sent from God? The moral of the whole thing is simply this: 'The way of the transgressor is hard,' and the uncertainties of human law are so appalling that corporal punishment becomes a blight on higher civilization, and ought to be forever relegated to the barbaric past, and a milder yet just as effective form of punishment for real or imagined criminals substituted."

BANQUET LAST NIGHT.

The Illinois Clay Workers Were Handsomely Entertained by the Local Brick Makers.

From the Daily of Thursday.

The annual banquet of the Illinois Clay Workers' association was held last night at the St. Nicholas hotel and was a handsome affair. The dinner was given at 9 o'clock. The guests included the members of the association, the mayor and aldermen and city officers and a few others. It was a jolly crowd and those in attendance enjoyed themselves. At a large table was seated Attorney W. E. Nelson, the toastmaster, Mayor B. Z. Taylor and those who were to respond to toasts.

The banquet was an excellent one and was served by Mr. Laux in splendid style. The menu was as follows:

Blue Points.
Consomme Jardinere.
Celery.
Olives. Radishes.
Boiled Salmon. Hollandaise Sauce
Parisienne Potatoes.
Chicken Patties.
Browned Mashed Potatoes. French Peas.
Broiled Turkey. Aspic Jelly.
Boiled Ham. Tongue.
Maraschino Punch.
Stuffed Roast Quail. Cress.
Fresh Shrimp Salad.
Neapolitan Ice Cream. Assorted Cake.
Fruit. Salted Mixed Nuts.
Coffee.

The College Hill mandolin orchestra was in attendance and rendered music during the evening. Roses and carnations were presented to the guests as souvenirs. After the last course had been served Judge Nelson, the toastmaster, arose and addressed the assembly. He welcomed the clay workers to the city and spoke at length of their branch of craftsmanship. He said that the clay working was the old craft telling how brick and pottery were made in the ancient times.

Mayor Taylor made a short response to a toast. He extended a greeting to the visitors and invited them to be at the transfer house at 8:30 o'clock this morning to visit the brick and tile yards and view the paved streets of the city. A number of toasts were given, and all of the speakers put forth the same idea, that the annual banquet was a time when the members of the association laid aside their business cares and met on an equal footing. It was after 1 o'clock this morning before all of the toasts were given. Those who responded to toasts were as follows:

W. S. Purington, Galesburg.
B. B. Purington, Chicago.
Mayor Taylor.
E. M. Dike, Chenoa.
W. A. Eudaly, Cincinnati.
R. R. Montgomery, Decatur.
Dr. A. L. Converse, Springfield.
Alderman George DeWitt.
T. A. Randall, Indianapolis.
John Mattes.
D. W. Stookey, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
W. T. Gates, Chicago.
Alderman James Keefe.
D. O. Loy, Atkinson.
Mr. Townsend, Avon.

Decatur Street Paving.

In the course of his response Alderman Montgomery said:

"It was in 1884 that brick paving was commenced in Decatur. The city council at that time passed an ordinance for the paving of Lincoln Square and for the paving of North Main street which extends a half mile north from the square. The paving of the square was completed in the year that it was commenced. The brick used in paving the south half came from Springfield, and those used in the north half from Bloomington. The people living on North Main street got a notion in their heads that it would take their homes away from them to pay for the paving of that street and weight enough was brought to bear upon the council to have the ordinance repealed. In 1885 another ordinance was drawn for the paving of North Main street, but again the people made the councilmen believe that it would break them up and the measure again failed to go through. In the next year, however, East William street was ordinanced to be paved and after that work was completed it was an easy matter to convince the people that the improvement could be made at reasonable cost. Since the paving of William street improvements of the thoroughfares have been made until now we have about eighteen or twenty miles of paving in the city. Improvements along this line continued uninterruptedly until last year when the members of the city council got into a wrangle about the foundation for the paving and one mile of another kind was allowed to be made. The discussion was as to whether the foundation for the paving should be of concrete or two course brick. As to myself I have had the privilege of voting for about two-thirds of the streets that have been paved with brick."

For Pneumonia.

Dr. J. C. Bishop, of Agnew, Mich., says: "I have used Foley's Honey and Tar in three very severe cases of pneumonia the past month, with good results." H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

T. T. Babcock of Fairbury has sold his livery business to William Younger of Belle Prairie, and retires, after 16 years in the business.

HORSE WAS KILLED

Bad Runaway Occurred on North Water Street at Noon To-day.

A TEAM RAN AT FULL SPEED

And Dashed Into a Telephone Pole—One Horse Broke His Neck and Died Shortly After—Ed Hollinsworth Thrown from the Wagon.

From the Daily of Saturday.

There was a bad runaway at noon today on North Water street. A team owned by Edward Hollinsworth ran away and as a result one of the horses was fatally injured. The accident created considerable excitement and a large crowd gathered.

The team was standing on Water street at the side of the Shellabarger mill. Hollinsworth, the owner of the team, was loading cinders into the wagon. The steam from an exhaust pipe of the mill plant was suddenly blown off under the horses. The team were greatly frightened and started to run south on Water street. Hollinsworth jumped into the back of the wagon but the lines had fallen down and he had no control of the horses. He attempted to crawl out on the pole of the wagon to gather up the lines but while doing this the team ran into another wagon and Hollinsworth was thrown some distance, falling on the brick pavement. He was bruised somewhat, but was not badly injured.

The team ran down Water street at a terrific speed and dashed into a telephone pole in front of the Baptist church at the corner of North and Water streets. When the wagon struck the pole one horse was thrown up on his hind feet and fell backward. The other horse dragged the wagon a few feet farther on and turned it over. The team was going at such a great speed that the shock when the wagon struck the telephone pole was very great. The horse in falling backward broke his neck. The hind part of the body was paralyzed. The animal suffered terribly but did not live for more than 10 or 15 minutes after the accident. Dr. S. H. Swain, the veterinary surgeon, was called but the animal was fatally injured and it was impossible to give the horse any relief.

The horse that was killed was a fairly good one and the loss was a bad one for the teamster, Hollinsworth, as he is a poor man and cannot well afford to lose one of his horses.

There was another runaway just at noon on North Water street. A team standing near the Wabash tracks were frightened at a passing engine and ran down the street several blocks before they were stopped. The wagon to which they were hitched was completely smashed.

COUNTY FARMERS' INSTITUTE

Programme Arranged for the Meeting and Exhibit in February.

The annual meeting and product exhibit of the Macon County Farmers' Institute will be held at the court house on February 1, 2 and 3. It will be a meeting of special interest, especially to the farmers of this and adjoining counties. The arrangement committee were in the city Friday adjusting the program and securing special premiums for the show of products to be made in the corridor of the court house.

The Program.

The following will be the order of exercises at the three days' session:

Feb. 1—Afternoon Session.

Prayer—Rev. Bowyer.
Music.
Reading of minutes—Secretary C. A. Thrift.
President's Address—W. H. Bean.
Insects Destructive of the Corn Plant—Professor S. A. Forbes, state entomologist.
Corn Culture—Hon. E. S. Funsman of El Paso.

Feb. 3—Morning Session.

Prayer.
Music.
Education—Professor Henry McCormick of the State Normal University.
Horse Breeding for Profit—Dr. C. C. Mills of Decatur.
How to Raise Celery Successfully—Superintendent E. A. Gastman.

Afternoon Session.

Practical Cattle Feeding—J. G. Imboden.
General Discussion of the Above Subject.
Present Condition of Live Stock Interests—Professor Eugene Davenport of the University of Illinois.
The Farmer as a Financier—T. C. Grady of Maroa.

Evening Session.

Music.
What I Know of Farming in the East—Superintendent E. A. Gastman.
Declamation.
Music.
General Talk.

Feb. 3—Morning Session.

Prayer.
Music.
Flowers, Fruits and Apple Orchards—Professor F. J. Burrill of Illinois University.
General Discussion on Fruit Raising.

Afternoon Session.

Poultry Raising for Profit—Bering Burrows.
Election of Officers.
Auction sale of the products displayed.

RIOT IN A LODGE ROOM.

Doors Kicked in and a Free-for-All Fight Between Factions.

Peoria, Ill., January 8.—The lodge room of Golden Leaf Camp, Court of Honor, was the scene of a riot last night. It seems that the lodge has been divided for some time, and the minority has been in favor of taking in some new members, to whom the majority of the society objected. Other differences have caused frequent disputes, and at the meeting last night, when both sides were well represented, the climax was reached. When trouble arose the majority voted to disband and left the lodge room. Returning later, they found the minority carrying on a meeting under the charter, broke down the door, and a free-for-all fight ensued, chairs being used with much effect. It required a number of policemen to quell the disturbance.

THE IOWA MURDER MYSTERY.

Letter Received in St. Louis Today by Postmaster Carlisle.

St. Louis, January 8.—Postmaster Carlisle today received a letter written on the letterhead of Paul Klumba, cigar dealer, 117 Walnut street, Des Moines, Iowa, which may explain the mystery at Chariton, Iowa, of the mutilated corpse found in a box there yesterday. The letter is as follows: "Des Moines, Iowa, Jan. 6, '98. Dear Mother—I am in Des Moines. They tried to kill me last night by taking me out on a train. I heard them talking about killing me, and putting me in a trunk. I don't expect ever to see you alive again. Good bye, dear mother. One of the men is the railway man Ed used to break with. The finder will please send this letter to West Brownsville, Pa." The letter, which is inclosed in an envelope directed to the postmaster is addressed, "Mrs. S. K. Stone, care Mrs. N. J. Smalley, West Brownsville, Pa."

A reply to a telegram sent the Adams Express company agent at Chariton, Iowa, reads: "No such body received here. Have had inquiries from all over the United States this morning. My belief is there is a mistake in the name of the town."

A telegram to Brownsville, Pa., brought the information that both Mrs. S. E. Stone and Mrs. Smalley lived there. Both, however, are out of the city and would not return until tonight.

WANTED IN MACON COUNTY.

Thomas Morrow, Charged with Burglary, Arrested in Pennsylvania.

Pittsburg, Pa., January 8.—Thomas Morrow, wanted in Macon county, Illinois, on a charge of grand larceny and burglary, is in jail here and will be held until Detective A. F. Imboden of Macon county arrives to claim him. Morrow was arrested yesterday by deputy sheriffs at Cheswick, Pa., where he was working. He was given permission to bid good by to his cousin's wife, and jumped through a window. The officers gave chase and the trio ran about a mile and a half, when Morrow jumped over a fence and disappeared in a barn. The deputies found him under the hay.

Morrow has been indicted by the Macon county grand jury for burglary and larceny. He entered the home of a farmer between Forsyth and Argenta, and stole a lot of goods. He got a suit of clothes and other articles.

Talk on Civil Service.

Washington, January 8.—In the house the civil service debate continued until 2 p. m. The remainder of the session was devoted to eulogies of the late Representative Wright of Massachusetts. Corliss (Republican, Michigan) was the speaker today. He favored radical modifications of the law. He thought it unconstitutional as far as it deprived heads of departments the right to appoint subordinates. He believed their office force should be limited. Hepburn (Republican, Iowa) spoke against what he thought would be the popular impression of the so-called merit system. The public, he argued, had been utterly misled by high titled "reformers."

Mr. Hepburn said he believed the appointive power and the power of removal should be lodged in the same hands, and be unlimited. Amid bursts of applause from the galleries he insisted that political workers were entitled to and should be accorded recognition. If there was to be no reward for workers the workers in future would be more loyal to rich contributors instead of to their party and country. If the present system continues the influence of rich men in politics would grow steadily. Hepburn said he knew his frank expressions would earn criticism for him and it would probably be said he had placed himself on a low political plank, but these were his convictions and he would utter them.

Clarke (Republican, New Hampshire) closed the debate for the day with remarks for modification.

Inhuman Act.

St. Joseph, Mo., January 8.—Early this morning an unknown man broke a hole in the ice in the Missouri river and shoved a small child into the opening. The man who witnessed the affair told a boy to notify the police and then followed the murderer across the river to Kansas. Neither the pursuer nor the pursued has yet been found.

Regan Out of the Race.

Austin, Tex., January 8.—Railroad Commissioner Regan, who has been an avowed candidate for United States senator against Governor Culberson and Senator Mills, has issued a card withdrawing from the race. He says private business and other personal matters caused the action.

Died in the South.

Augusta, Ga., January 8.—Major Moses P. Handy, special United States commissioner to the Paris exposition of 1900, who recently returned from France broken in health and came here to recuperate, died at noon today. The remains will be taken to Berlin, Md., for burial.

Prosperity comes quickest to the man whose liver is in good condition. DeWitt's Little Early Risers are famous little pills for constipation, biliousness indigestion and all stomach and liver troubles. H. W. Bell N. L. Krone.

Miss Josie Ingersoll of Green Valley and Mr. Cain of Pontiac were married Wednesday.

THE HOME STRETCH.

Mark Hanna is Steadily Gaining in the Fight for the Senatorial Toga.

FRIENDS CLAIM 75 VOTES FOR HIM

Opposition Is Less Jubilant — $10,000 Damage Suit at Denver Filed by an Iowa Druggist Who Squandered Money Lavishly.

Columbus, Ohio, January 8.—Hanna is gaining on the home stretch. Reliable reports today indicate that he has the necessary 73 votes. Hanna's headquarters are jubilant and the opposition seems less confident. The opposition, however, has depended upon 10 Republicans voting with the 65 Democrats, making the joint ballot stand 75 to 70 against Hanna. It is known he has secured the return of some bolting Republicans. The Hanna men go so far as claim today that the vote will be 75 to 70 in their favor.

Kurtz's Claim.

Columbus, Ohio, January 8.—Charles L. Kurtz, the leader of the opposition to Hanna, today handed the following to the Associated Press: "The incorrectness of claims by Hanna is proven by the test vote in the matter of the house organization. He claimed the organization up to the time of the test vote was taken and then lost. The same claims are being made again on the senatorship and the result will be the same. Hanna will not be elected senator."

$10,000 Damage Suit.

Denver, Col., January 8.—J. H. Gallagher, a druggist of Sheldon, Iowa, has filed a suit here against Mrs. Andrew Sanbo, asking $10,000 for alleged breach of promise of marriage. The complaint states that the lady's maiden name is Emma Montgomery, and that he first met her in Boone, Iowa. He says he spent $1000 entertaining her during their courtship, and lost $2000 by neglect of his business, having come to Colorado to visit her.

Tow Boat Blown Up.

Pittsburg, January 8.—The tow boat Perry Kelcy, which left here this morning with two coal barges, blew up near Glenfield, Pa., this morning and was completely wrecked. The crew consisted of Captain Leslie Jones, two pilots, two engineers, two mates, a chambermaid, a cook and a number of deck hands. It is reported that all were killed.

Six or eight of the crew were killed and at least four injured. The following were killed: Milton Wood, pilot; Thomas Flinn, second engineer; Joseph Lalley, second mate; Lee Webster, fireman; Leo Bechtold, fireman, and another fireman missing. The injured: Captain Leslie Jones, badly; P. F. Wood, apprentice pilot, will probably die; David Wall, one of the crew, seriously hurt; Adolph Wandell, steamer, seriously hurt. The cause of the explosion is unknown. The boat was literally torn to pieces and the tow scattered and lost. The hull sunk almost immediately and scattered portions of the upper works floated down the river, with here and there a human form clinging to them. The detonation was heard for miles. Hundreds came running to the scene and those left alive were soon rescued.

To Legalize Horse Racing.

Springfield, Ill., January 8.—Senator Fitzpatrick has in his pocket a racing bill which he will introduce in the senate some day next week. The bill legalizes a race meeting not to exceed 30 days in duration on any track in the state. The selling of pools on foreign races is prohibited, but pools may be sold on the races actually run on the tracks where the pool selling is carried on. The revenue feature of the bill, by which it is to be brought within the scope of the governor's call, consists in the provision that 5 per cent of the gate receipts to the track shall be paid to the state as a license fee. Under the provisions of this bill, should it become a law, there could be at least three months' racing in Chicago each season, one month at each of the tracks, Washington Park, Harlem, and Hawthorne. There might be continuous racing for six months if each of the tracs would have in turn two 30 day meets. The general opinion among legislators is that the bill will pass.

IOWA DOMESTIC TRAGEDY.

A Justice of the Peace Commits Murder and Then Kills Himself.

Bedford, Iowa, Jan. 8.—James R. McCowie, justice of the peace, and a prominent citizen, who last night shot and killed his divorced wife while trying to obtain possession of their children, was found dead today in the yard of Sheriff Lane. He evidently had shot himself.

Bryan in Chicago.

Chicago, January 8.—Hon. William J. Bryan arrived here today to be a guest at the Jackson day banquet here tonight. He will deliver the principal address.

Bank Statement.

New York, January 8.—The weekly bank statement shows the reserve has increased $6,476,000. The banks hold $22,264,000 in excess of the legal requirement.

No Room for Doubt.

Proof, yes overwhelming proof can be furnished of the excellent curative qualities of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. "I caught a cold which led to a cough and pain in the chest. (pneumonia?) I bought Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, and after taking one bottle of it, the cough began to disappear; when I finished taking the second bottle I was cured. Gustav Thurmaster, 49 Hickory St., Cleveland, O." Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup costs but 25 cents. Take only Bull's.

PHILIP D. ARMOUR.

The Most Prominent Figure in Chicago's Commercial Life.

Philip D. Armour unquestionably deserves a niche beside the greatest of the historic captains of American industry. As a speculator he has been most successful in the investment of his capital in productive concerns that have been of widespread service to society. He has handled, produced, stored and distributed food stuffs to all America and all Europe, and he has been liberally remunerated for his work, because he has been and is now a rich man.

Like many of his kind, he began the struggle for life with nothing in the way of capital. The first capital he got

PHILIP D. ARMOUR.
(One of the Greatest Captains of American Industry.)

he dug out of the ground in the form of gold from the placers of California. His first venture in industry was as a pork packer in Milwaukee. The war wave came along and carried him in a very short time to the possession of great wealth. The foresight that has ever characterized him led him to Chicago, and he then began to build up the great business of which he is master to-day.

He has bought and sold various properties. As director and owner of producing industries he has been most successful. As a mere trader—a buyer and seller—he has rare pluck and sagacity, and he has added to his store very largely by this means. He is a financier. Wall street knows and fears him.

Mr. Armour has a reputation for being kind to poor people who can't get anybody else to help them out. That's why there is any number of persons in Chicago who stand up for him.

Mr. Armour, says the Chicago Times-Herald, makes no display of wealth. He dresses simply, lives in a plain house, is interested in education and has a way of wiping out the debts of small churches of all creeds that amazes the impecunious congregations thereof.

As may be imagined, his mail is tremendous and the number of callers on him infinite. He is always in perfect health and a hard worker.

QUEER HOUSE WAGON.

In It Milt Dix and Family Will Travel to the Klondike.

Milt Dix is a queer frontier character, with gypsy blood in his veins and a nomad's fondness for traveling. Twenty years ago he drove into North Platte, Neb.—then a mere camp—in a queer, boxlike house mounted on wheels and drawn by three big horses, bringing with him a wife and five children. Dix left his family in North Platte while he journeyed about the country, always in the same kind of a wagon. When one wore out he would manage to secure another built on the same lines.

Now he has started for the Klondike in one of these queer house-wagons. He has another young wife and several little children, all of whom he is carrying with him. He is probably 60 years of age, though a well-preserved man, and

EN ROUTE TO KLONDIKE.
(Wagon In Which Milt Dix Will Travel to the Gold Mines.)

one who has a wide knowledge of the world, having read and traveled to much advantage, though always in this queer manner.

The top of the queer vehicle is of tin, painted white. The running gear differs somewhat from the ordinary two-horse wagon, as it has six wheels—two in the center. In this manner Dix says he can carry double the load that can be carried in the ordinary way, and be in no danger of breaking down. Then, too, if one of the wheels breaks he can utilize the extra wheels and operate his vehicle as a two-horse affair until repairs can be made.

Why Men Cannot Sing.

"Women," says Dr. H. L. Hastings, in the Journal of Medicine and Science, "go with their necks bare, and men keep theirs swathed and bandaged, and ten women have sweet voices to one man. A man's voice should be as pure as a woman's. Why is it not? He is choked and shaved."

A Long Working Day.

In a Boston court a few days ago a man engaged in manual labor testified that he was obliged to work 21 hours out of the 24.

—David Snoke of Cerro Gordo has gone home after a stay of several days in Decatur. While here three tumors were successfully removed from Mr. Snoke's eyelids by Dr. McClelland.

The Menard county farmers' institute will be held at Petersburg January 18 and 19.

The second annual poultry association will be held January 18 to 21 at Clinton.

Frank Harris of Tremont has bought the Enslow farm of 165 acres, four miles north of Tremont, for $6600.

MAY YET BE WAR.

Russian Military Advisor for the Chinese Arrived at Today Pekin.

MORE BRITISH SHIPS ON THE MOVE

War Feeling in China Against Germany—Russian and Germany Papers Comment on the Loan of $30,000,000.

Pekin, January 8.—The Russian military advisor, Colonel Narinoff, engaged by China, has arrived here.

British Flying Squadron.

London, January 8.—A rumor is in circulation, emanating from the dockyards at Portsmouth, that the flying squadron of British ships have been ordered for service in Chinese waters.

Condemnation.

Pekin, January 8.—The Chinese universally resent the government's concession to Germany.

A French Cruiser.

Toulon, January 8.—The cruiser Pascal has sailed to reinforce the French fleet in Chinese waters.

Comments on the Loan.

London, January 8.—The Russian and German papers continue to crow over the apparent defeat of British plans in China. They even hint now that England should not be permitted to furnish the entire loan; that other of the powers should be allowed to participate, with the object of preventing British control of Chinese finances. That Germany and Russia are working toward this end is made manifest by a rumor published in the Standard that England is ready to furnish the £16,000,000 ($80,000,000) without guarantee. If this be done it will have for its purpose the mere protection of English commerce, but why Salisbury should be so punctilious and concessionary in the matter is not clear to the general public. A land grab of large dimensions would meet the public view, and why the government hesitates, when Russia, Germany and France are intrenching themselves on the China coast lands, is a puzzle.

It would appear that the kaiser is preparing to take control of the entire Shantung peninsula, for his explorers, promoters and mineralogists are to make an examination in regard to the wealth of the region.

The stock exchange here and the continental bourses show no agitation touching the loan, which is taken to indicate a pacific outcome. Military and naval preparations are, however, not discontinued. The expectation is that until the new Japanese ministry is completed and its policy formulated the Chinese question will furnish few sensational developments.

Judge Lynch Again.

Little Rock, Ark., January 8.—Four colored men have been lynched in the vicinity of Bearden, Ark., within the last few days. Two were rapists and two murderers. The ravishers were Davo and Huntly, who were swung up three miles north of Bearden. The murderers met their fate a few miles south of Bearden. The work was done by two separate mobs and according to reports created little excitement.

Official Order.

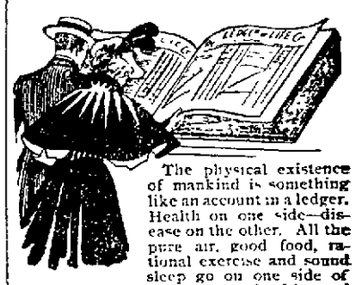
Washington, January 8.—Secretary Sherman has issued a proclamation designating the Red Cross society, New York, headquarters for the Cuban relief contributions, and asking the people of the United States to contribute liberally.

Affection—Something a girl dishes out to her male friends just before Christmas.

Molehill—The foundation upon which real estate dealers build mountains.

W. P. Shade has been elected treasurer of the Citizens' Mutual Telephone company.

Compositors give work to proof readers.



The physical existence of mankind is something like an account in a ledger. Health on one side—disease on the other. All the pure air, good food, rational exercise and sound sleep go on one side of the account. It sums up health and strength. On the other side, are bad air, poor food, overwork and worry. That foots up weakness and disease.

When your appetite or sleep is disturbed; when the stomach and liver are not working properly, or the bowels are not in regular condition, you are losing vitality and strength; figures are going down on the wrong side of the ledger. Unless this is stopped and the other side of the account is built up, you'll soon be a physical bankrupt.

The most profitable account a sick man can open in his Ledger of Life is with Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, a wonderful and scientific tonic which imparts a direct and healthy stimulus to the entire nutritive organism. It strengthens the digestive fluids and the liver, and enables the blood-making organs to produce pure, red, highly-vitalized blood.

It is not a mere temporary exhilarator. It feeds the constitution with genuine, permanent power. It writes big, round sums on the health side of the account, and wipes out the figures of weakness and disease. It animates the vital forces and builds up healthy flesh, muscular energy and nerve-force.

For nearly 30 years Dr. Pierce has been chief consulting physician of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, of Buffalo, N. Y. His formulas are everywhere recognized as the most effective remedies in the world. His "Pleasant Pellets" are the most perfect and scientific cure for constipation ever invented. They are not violent in their action, but perfectly sure, and at the same time comfortable. Their great reputation has called out a score of imitations, which druggists sometimes try to substitute, but there is nothing "just as good."

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 1898.

There is nothing to prevent the Salvation Army or any other organization declaring itself a Jacksonian organization.

When Mark Hanna refused after being endorsed for senator by the Republican state convention, to permit Kurtz to become chairman of the Republican committee he knew what he was doing. Kurtz has shown that he is only a counterfeit Republican.

Recent reports are to the effect that the insurgents in Cuba now number 30,000 men well supplied with food and ammunition. If these reports are true, and they are vouched for by men who have visited the insurgent camps, Spain cannot be too active in accepting the good offices of Uncle Sam to settle the war.

Bryan has again announced himself a Jeffersonian Democrat, which is simply hollow mockery He has evidently lost sight of the Biblical fact that when the Pharisees claimed that they were the children of Abraham John the Baptist told them that God was "able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham," and that "every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down."

The receipts from the operation of the Dingley tariff law, for December, 1897, were $9,000,000 more than from the Wilson law during December, 1896, and yet the latter was a Democratic measure framed on the theory of a tariff only for revenue, while the Dingley law is a tariff for protection of American industries. We mention this only for the purpose of emphasizing the fact that the Republicans know how to legislate for the United States, while the Democrats do not.

Durrant, when the search was being made for the missing girl, Miss Blanche Lamont, suggested that she had probably cast her lot among fallen women. During this time he was professing to be devotedly religious and prior to her disappearance had been much in the company of the young woman concerning whom he made this horrid suggestion. If there was nothing else against him this was enough to show him a religious fraud and capable of committing the crime for which he has been hung.

The Dingley law greeted the country with a handsome New Year's gift in a comfortable surplus for the month of December. During the entire three years in which the Wilson law was on the statute books the monthly statements were an almost unbroken succession of deficits. During the three months prior to the effacement of that act from the statute books the importers rushed in enormous quantities of such classes of goods as would be subjected to higher rates of duty under the new law, and thus reduced to that extent importations during the first few months under the new law. As a consequence the first month under the Dingley act produced only about $19,000,000. The second month it rose to $22,000,000, in round numbers; the third, $24,000,000, the fourth, $26,000,000, and the fifth, $28,000,000, in round numbers, producing in the fifth month of its record a surplus of nearly $9,000,000. This remarkable growth in the receipts under this new law in the face of adverse conditions fully justifies the predictions made by its friends that it will, as soon as conditions become normal, produce sufficient revenue to meet running expenses and accumulate something of a surplus again in the treasury. While it must not be expected that the January receipts will equal the expenditures of that month, because of the very large interest payments that must be made in January, and also because of other heavy expenditures in the first month of the calendar year, there is every reason to expect that the growth in receipts which has been so marked a characteristic of the record of the Dingley law up to this time will continue, and before the end of the fiscal year the country will have the pleasure of seeing the treasury collecting easily, smoothly and satisfactorily, with the proper distribution of the burden of taxation, sufficient revenue to meet all running expenses, a condition which did not exist at any time under the low tariff Wilson law.

Civil Service Debate

An interesting debate is now going on in congress the subject being the civil service law as applied at present The objection to the law as at present applied has developed into a formidable force and the chances are that some act will be passed putting restrictions upon the present pace of the commissioners and perhaps a modification of the extension made by President Cleveland. Some very interesting things have developed in the debate by way of exposing some exceedingly ridiculous methods applied in the examination of applicants for positions under the civil service Representative Landis of Indiana in the course of his remarks made the following reference to the rules governing the examination of an applicant for a janitorship:

"Suppose that Terry Lamb of Delphi, Ind., wants to be appointed a janitor. According to the revised edition of the civil service rules he sends for information and receives one of these documents. He turns to the inside and finds 'Janitor.' That refers him to page 188. Page 188 refers him to page 239 There he learns that in order to be a janitor he must pass an examination in spelling, arithmetic, letter writing, penmanship and copying from plain copy. Three consecutive hours are allowed for his examination and on each branch he is given a 'weight.' For explanation of 'weight' see section 61. Section 61 explains the object of this 'weight':

"Section 61 The various subjects in each examination are weighted according to their relative importance. The weight represents the ratio of each subject to the whole examination. The method of obtaining the general average in examination is as follows:

"Section 63 Multiply the average obtained on each subject by the relative weight of that subject, add the products, and divide the sum of the products by the sum of the relative weights. In the case of auxiliary examinations the general average in the basis of examination is first obtained, and this general average is used as a subject in the auxiliary part of the examination.

"This is lucid (Laughter.)

"Section 68 To obtain the general average on the basis and auxiliary subjects combined the following method is used: Multiply the general average in the basis by the relative weight of the basis, and multiply the general average of each auxiliary subject by its relative weight; add the product thus obtained, and divide the sum by the sum of the relative weights of the auxiliary subjects and basis.

"For real rippling lucidity and comprehensive incomprehensibility I do not think there is a normal institution in the United States that could discount that provision. And after Terry Lamb had been chased through that maze, that labyrinth of technicality, which end of the shovel do you suppose he would take hold of?"

A Good Suggestion.

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat: It might be supposed, from the almost hysterical delight shown by many Democratic papers, that "beating Hanna" by a deal with treacherous Republicans will be a great Democratic triumph. The Democrats of Ohio had a chance last fall to beat Senator Hanna at the polls. He was indorsed as the candidate in the Republican platform, and the voters of the state gave him a majority. Mr. Hanna can be betrayed in the legislature, but the state is on record in his favor. He can not be beaten in the legislature unless the whole body of Democrats vote for some one who has been identified with the Republican party. The precedent will be troublesome to those who now glory in it. It can be made to cover the violation of all party obligations, and will render ludicrous all Democratic protests against such treachery. What the Ohio Democrats are trying to beat is good faith and popular suffrage, just because a few malicious renegades are ready to help.

Constantly Broadening Foreign Markets.

American Economist: From one of the American Economist's corps of correspondents in the large commercial centers of the old world comes the following, under date of December 20, 1897:

"I have just been informed that the United States consul at Riga has been requested to obtain rates for the shipment of 15,000 tons of pig iron from one of the great establishments of the United States to St. Petersburg."

And yet the free trade sophists continue to assert that under the system of protection, through which the iron industry of America was brought to its present prosperous and commanding position, trade with foreign nations becomes an impossibility. No longer ago than Monday of this week the New York Times, blind to the splendid record of our exports of manufactures and agricultural products for 1897, made the following remarkable statement:

"Though many of the Times' readers may dissent from its views upon the tariff, we affirm that our exorbitant and illogical customs duties diminish the earning power of money in this country, and close many avenues to investment which would lead to substantial reward and greater national prosperity. We overstock the home market. We have outgrown it. We must have new markets abroad. Our hostile tariff closes them to our goods, and when we cannot sell all the goods we can make, we are not making money as fast as we might."

As a mixture of blundering and lying this assertion is conspicuous even among the free trade newspaper expressions. Its falsity and its foolishness are apparent to every one familiar with the general facts of money-making in the year 1897 in a country enjoying the advantages of its own vast home market and also of the constantly broadening markets of the world.

An Effective Illustration.

Tacoma Ledger: There are two Washington girls who were not only ardent believers in protection—in the shape of the Dingley bill—but had the courage of their convictions, by which they profited. Believing McKinley's election meant protection and consequently higher prices for wool, last November they invested $1840 in a band of sheep. A protective tariff law was enacted, prices of wool advanced, and the girls profited by their faith and good business judgment, selling $2226 worth of wool this year, and receiving $5230 for their sheep, a net profit of $5600 on an investment of $1840 a year ago. This is only a small illustration of the benefits of the tariff law to the farmers of this country, but it is plain and near at home, therefore more effective.

The Surprise of All.

Mr. James Jones, of the drug firm of Jones & Son, Cowden, Ill., in speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with La Grippe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Pana could do nothing for her. It seemed to develop into Hasty Consumption. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in store, and selling lots of it, he took a bottle home, and to the surprise of all she began to get better from the first dose, and half dozen dollar bottles cured her sound and well. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is guaranteed to do this good work. Try it. Free trial bottles at J. E. King's and C. F. Shilling's Drug Stores.

Rev. A. M. Danely will preach at Elwin next Sabbath at 10 30 a. m. and at Blue Mound chapel at 3 p. m. He will begin a series soon either at Blue Mound chapel or Long Creek.

BRADLEY BROS.

OFFER ANOTHER LOT OF

PHENOMENAL BARGAINS THIS WEEK

Domestics.

Bales of Unbleached Muslin at 3c yd.
Finest and best Unbleached Muslin at 5c yd.
Bleached Muslins 36 inches wide, soft finish, at 4c yd.
Finest soft finish Bleached Muslins, 36 inches wide, at 5c yd.
One case 9-4 Unbleached Sheeting at 12½c yd.
One case 9-4 fine Brown Sheeting at 13½c yd.
One case of 9-4 Bleached Sheeting at 15c yd.
100 dozen hemstitched huck all linen Towels at 10c each.
50 dozen extra large hemmed all linen Huck Towels at 17c each.
One lot fancy Sateen Feather Ticking at 12½c.

Real Bargains in Calicoes, Ginghams and Percales.

2500 yards of good Apron Ginghams at 3c yd.
Boxes of best quality Turkey Red Calicoes at 3c yd.
Boxes of Indigo Blue Calicoes at 3c yd.
One case of Shirting Calicoes at 3c yd.
One case of 30-inch heavy Percales in dark colors at 5c yd.
One case 32-inch Indigo Blue Percales at 7c, regular 10c quality.
One case of 32-inch Grey Percale at 6c yd., regular price 10c yd.
One lot of Flannelettes in remnants at 5c, regular price 10c yd.
One box Plaid Outing Flannels in bright colors at 5c yd.
One lot of best English Flannelette Outing Cloths in choice patterns, all colors at 7c yd.

Silks.

One hundred pieces fancy and plain two-toned Silks, all colors, at 25c in dress lengths.
Roman Stripe Silk, new combinations, at 25c yd.
Fancy Wash China Silks, new patterns for 1898, at 25c a yard.
50 pieces of pure Silk Brocades in new colorings at 49c yard.
One lot choice Brocaded Silks, regular $1 grade at 58c a yard.
Colored Taffeta Silks, all shades, the 75c, 85c and 90c grade, for 65c a yard.
One lot black Brocaded Silks and Black Taffeta Silks at 68c a yard.
50 pieces black Peau de Soi Silks in skirt lengths at 75c a yard.
One lot fine Brocaded Silks in fancy evening shades, at 75c a yard.
One lot of high grade fancy Plaid Silks, worth $1.50 to $2.00, in short pieces for waists, at 88c yard.
24-inch extra heavy Brocade Silks, $1.25 quality, at 95c a yard.

Choice Dress Goods UNDER VALUE.

One lot of bright plaid Dress Goods, 27 inches wide, at 7c a yard.
50 pieces Fancy Plaids, in choice dark colors, at 10c a yard.
27-inch brocaded Novelty wool filled Dress Goods at 9c a yard.
500 yards of wool mixed Brocaded Dress Goods, all navy blue, a regular 20c quality, 28 inches wide, at 13c a yard.
20 pieces 36-inch Black Wool Serge, 25c grade, at 18c a yard.
88 pieces of assorted Winter Dress Goods, in all wool and mixed wool fabrics, regular price 50c, 60c and 75c, all marked to close out at 35c a yard.
One lot of all wool mixed Covert Cloths, 75c grade, at 50c a yard.
Imported Novelty Dress Goods, in two-toned colors, and Black Novelties, at 50c a yard.
50 pieces of 54-inch fine all wool Dress Goods, in choice new shades, worth $1.00 to $1.50 yd., all marked to close out at 75c yd.
50 Dress Patterns, worth $9, $10 and $12, all reduced to $6.50 pattern.

Stylish Winter Coats.

We had the correct styles and had no dull season—now our sizes are broken and we intend to close out every garment.
One table of stylish Plain Cloth Jackets, all fine wool goods, sizes 32 to 44, at $3.60 each.
One table of fine Cloth Jackets, braid trimmed and silk lined, blacks, tans, navys, greens, in plaid and rough cloths, all sizes 32 to 40, at $5.80 each.
One lot of all wool Kersey Cloth Jackets, silk lined, strap seams, velvet trimmed notch collar, worth $15 to $18, at $7.90 each.
Ladies' Heavy Irish Frieze Cloth Capes, fur trimmed, $1.50.
Double Cloth Cape, made of heavy diagonal cloth with wool back, trimmed, $3.95.

Silk Waists.

One lot of choice patterns, Roman stripe, Taffeta Silk, Marquise Waists at $5.00 each.

Travelers' Samples of High Class

Muslin Underwear.

Positively the greatest Muslin Underwear event ever known in Decatur. 2,346 Sample Garments at Half Price.

These garments are such as carried by traveling salesmen for a few months and are only soiled and mussed from handling. We bought the lot at very great sacrifice on account of being soiled. These garments are now on sale at prices which are actually less than the cost of materials. This lot consists of High Class Ladies' Night Gowns, made of Nainsook, Long Cloth, Cambric and the best of Muslins, all handsomely trimmed with the finest of laces and embroidery, from 50c to $2.50.
High class Ladies' Skirts, umbrella and bell shape, made of Cambric, Long Cloth, India Linen and the best Muslins, handsomely trimmed in laces, embroidery, ruffled and tucked, from 65c to $5.00.
High Class Ladies' Corset Covers, all different styles, elaborately trimmed with lace and embroidery, high, square and low necks, price from 25c to $2.00.
High Class Ladies' Chemise, short and long, handsomely trimmed at yoke and bottom, prices from 35c to $2.50.
High Class Ladies' Drawers. All the new shapes in Lawn, Cambric, Nainsook and Muslins, handsomely trimmed in laces and embroidery, prices from 15c to $2.00.
High Class Ladies' Gowns in extra large sizes.
We shall also offer 25 dozen Ladies' Fancy White Aprons, at 15c, 35c and 50c.

Blankets to Close.

50 pairs Grey Blankets at 35c pair.
63 pairs of choice Grey Blankets at 50c pair.
32 pairs fancy wool Grey Blankets at $1.95 pair.
50 pairs of all wool fancy Plaid Blankets at $2.48 pair.
50 pairs all wool White Blankets at $2.19 pair.
42 pairs of fine all wool, extra large Blankets at $2.75 pair, regular value $4.00.
One lot all wool Scarlet Blankets at $2.19 pair.

Fine Fur Capes.

Astrachan Capes, choice full skins, 30 inches long, 110-inch sweep, heavy satin linings, $10.95 each.
Choice Nutria Fur Capes, 30 inches long, 100-inch sweep, fancy silk linings, $19.50 each.
Wool Seal Capes, 24 inches long, 120-inch sweep, Martin collar and fronts, $19.50 each.
Black Monkey Capes, 27 inches long, 115-inch sweep, finest satin lining, $18.50 each.

Underwear.

One case extra heavy ribbed fleece lined vests and pants at 22c each.
One case Ladies' Oneita Union Suits, heavy grade Egyptian cotton fleece back, 35c each.
18 dozen Ladies' Swiss ribbed tights, ankle length, at 18c each.
Boys' all wool scarlet Drawers, to close at 45c each.
25 dozen Men's heavy woolen Shirts and Drawers, tan mixture, 38c each.
8 dozen Men's ribbed Shirts, half wool, to close at 38c each.
Stuttgarten Normal Wool Shirts and Drawers to close at $1.50 for medium weight, $2.00 for heavy.

Ladies' Dress Skirts.

Ladies' Dress Skirt, made of heavy broadcloth in black and navy, lined throughout, velveteen binding, $1.40 each.
Figured Brilliantine Skirts, four yards wide, full lined, $1.50 each.
Heavy quality brocaded gros grain Silk Skirts, percaline lined, all lengths at $4.95 each.

Drapery Department.

500 yards Drapery Swiss at 10c a yard.
1,600 yards best grade figured Silkoline at 7c a yard.
One lot of Brussels Net and Irish Point lace curtains 3½ yards long, 54 and 56 inches wide at $4.85 a pair.

Gloves.

Children's lined Kid Mittens at 25c a pair.
Ladies' Mocha lined Mittens at 60c a pair.
Ladies' Kid Mittens, otter top at $1.00 a pair.
Mens' Scotch Yarn Gloves, 35c a pair.
Mens' Kid Gloves, lined at 50c a pair.
The genuine Foster lacing glove, 5 hooks, $1.00 grade, for 50c a pair.

Our Price on Dress Linings.

Soft finish Glove Cambric, 3c yd.
All Linen Grass Cloth, 5c yd.
Heavy Selisias at 8c yd.
Fine Union Canvas, 10c yd.
Plain and Crossbarred Crinoline, 5c yd.

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DRY GOODS & MILLINERY
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COMPREHENSIVE STOCK.

We can supply all your wants in Hardware, House Furnishing goods, and Stoves of all kinds. The quality is always of the best and our prices are right.

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UNDERWEAR -- Extra

GREAT REDUCTION.

Child's Union Suits with drop backs, up to 25c, go at..... 16c

Ladies' Oneita Union Suits, heavy fleece cream or natural—not 50 but 35c

Ladies' heavy fleece Vests in small sizes, worth 50c; to close at 25c

H. C. Anthony
DECATUR, ILL.

20 Per Cent. Discount Sale!

In order to entirely clean out our present stock of Winter Wear, we will give you one-fifth off on every Overcoat, Suit, Reefer, Pant and Heavy Underwear for Man, Boy or Child, which we have. In Kersey and Melton Overcoats, we are selling many of them at the price which we must pay for new ones, owing to advances in the cost of both material and labor, and at a discount of 20 per cent. from our prices they are remarkably cheap. This is your time to lay in a supply. We court comparison on prices.

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SEVERAL YEARS AND THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS EXPENDED.

An Expert Accountant and Bookkeeper of Detroit Troubled with Hereditary Scrofula in its Worst Form—Spends a Small Fortune Seeking to Find a Cure.

From the Evening News, Detroit, Mich.

James H. Wallace, the well known expert accountant and bookkeeper, of Detroit, Mich., lately had a remarkable experience, and a reporter called at his pretty home 249 Sixth Street, to interview him regarding it. He found Mrs. Wallace in the midst of house cleaning, and after the reporter stated the object of his visit Mrs. Wallace said: "You had better see Mr. Wallace at the office of C. A. Haberkorn & Co., table manufactory on Orchard Street, and he will tell you of this experience much better than I." A visit was made to the office of the above concern where Mr. Wallace was seen. "I am," said Mr. Wallace, "yet a young man, still I have suffered untold agonies and tortures. I was born with that awful hereditary disease known as scrofula, and what I suffered cannot be well described.

The first physicians that treated me said it was a constitutional blood disorder and by constant treatment and diet it might be cured. The blood purifiers and spring remedies I used only made the eruptions more aggressive and painful. In 1888 I was a fearful looking sight and was in fact repulsive. On my limbs were large ulcers which were very painful, and from which there was a continual discharge. In three years I spent over $3000 in medicine and medical services and grew worse instead of better. I tried the medical baths, and in 1893 went to Medicine Lake, Washington, but was not benefited. I then tried some proprietary medicine, but did not receive any benefit.

"One day in the fall of 1895 while reading the paper I noticed an article about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, but did not give it much attention. That afternoon while moving some books I broke an ulcer on my leg and nearly fainted, the pain made me sick and I had to stop work. While sitting in the chair I again noticed the Dr. Williams' Pink Pills article in the newspaper which was laying on the floor. I read it carefully and immediately decided to give the pills a trial, as the account which I read had been of a case similar to mine. I sent the office boy over to Frank Houp's drug store for a box and took some that afternoon. I continued their use and before I had used one box I noticed an improvement. I grew better rapidly and all my friends noticed the improvement, and after taking eight boxes there was not a sore on my person.

"I am covered with scars from the ulcers but since that time I have not seen a single indication of the old trouble. I continued the use of the pills long after I was cured as I wanted to get my system rid of that awful disease.

"If I only had bought Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People at the start I would be thousands of dollars ahead and had five years of health and happiness instead of torture. To-day I feel like a perfect man and my doctor says I am entirely rid of my old trouble."

(Signed) JAMES H. WALLACE.

DETROIT, MICH., May 7, 1897.

Before me a Notary Public in and for Wayne County, Michigan, personally appeared James H. Wallace, who being duly sworn, deposed and said that he had read the foregoing statement and that the same was true.

ROBERT E. HULL, JR.,
Notary Public.

WAYNE COUNTY, MICH.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are sold by all dealers, or will be sent post paid on receipt of price, 50 cents a box or six boxes for $2.50 (they are never sold in bulk or by the 100), by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y. ¢

We will give one hundred latest improved Singer Sewing-Machines in even exchange for an equal number of the oldest sewing-machines of any make, now in family use. Awards to be decided from applications sent to us before March 1, 1898. The new machines will be delivered within thirty days thereafter

Who has the.. Oldest Sewing-Machine?

A new "Singer" given in exchange for it.

All you have to do *is to send this information on a postal card:* (1) your name; (2) location of your residence; (3) post-office address; (4) name of your machine; (5) its factory number; (6) length of time in use; (7) paper in which you saw this. *Send details in this* **exact** *order on a* **postal card** *—don't send a letter—and put nothing else on the postal card but the information desired.*

This is no guessing contest requiring a payment, a subscription, or a personal service of any sort. If you own an old sewing-machine, you have only to send the requisite information in order to compete for a prize worth having. It costs absolutely nothing but a postal card, which may bring to your door the best sewing-machine in the world in exchange for your old one.

THE SINGER MANUFACTURING CO.
P. O. Box 1814, New York City.

NOTE THIS SALE.

Broadcloths,..	Reg.	$1.25,	Cut Price, 90c	Novelty Suit'gs,	Reg.	60c,	Cut Price, 45c
Storm Serge	"	75c,	" 57c	" "	"	45c,	" 35c
Black Brocades,	"	$1.00,	" 65c	" "	"	35c,	" 25c
" "	"	1.25,	" 95c	Kromlin Cloths,	"	35c,	" 25c
" "	"	75c,	" 55c	Union Henriettas	"	25c,	" 19c
Henriettas.....	"	90c,	" 75c	Union Plaids,....	"	35c,	" 25c
"	"	75c,	" 50c	" "	"	25c,	" 19c
"	"	65c,	" 45c	" "	"	20c,	" 15c
Novelty Suit'gs,	"	90c,	" 65c	Best Prints made,	"	6½c,	" 5c
" "	"	75c,	" 55c	2d Best "	"	5c,	" 3½c

S. G. Hatch & Bro.,

151 East Main Street.

MARKET REPORT.

BY H. Z. TAYLOR.

CHICAGO, ILL., Jan. 11.

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.	Yesterday.
Wheat—					
Jan.....	—	—	—	91	91⅝
May.....	90⅛	91⅝	90⅛	91⅛	91
July.....	81⅝	82	81⅝	81⅛	81⅝
Corn—					
Jan.....	—	—	—	20⅛	20⅛
May.....	20⅛	20⅝	20	20	20⅛
July.....	30⅛	30⅛	30	30	30⅛
Oats—					
Jan.....	—	—	—	22	21⅝
May.....	23⅛	23⅝	23⅛	23⅜	23⅛
Pork—					
May.....	9 45	9 50	9 42½	9 47	9 37½
Lard—					
May.....	4 80	4 85	4 80	4 85	4 80
Ribs—					
May.....	—	—	—	4 77	4 70

May wheat: Puts, 89⅝; Calls, 90⅛; Curb, 90⅝.

To-Day's Receipts—Car Lots.

Wheat—14; Estimated, 40; a year ago, 18. Corn—361; Estimated, 350; a year ago, 111. Oats—165; Estimated, 145; a year ago, 91.

Estimates for To-Morrow.

Wheat, 32; Corn, 410; Oats, 230.

Hogs.

Hog receipts, 20,000. Estimated 13,000. Market strong, 5c higher.

Light $3.50@3.65; Mixed, $3.50@3.67; Heavy $3.55@3.67; Rough, $3.45@3.50. Estimated for to-morrow, 36,000.

Cattle.

Cattle receipts, 11,500. Market strong, 10c higher.

Free Pills.

Send your address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and are particularly effective in the cure of Constipation and Sick Headache. For Malaria and Liver troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c per box. Sold by J. E. King and C. F. Shilling, Druggists.

Mrs W. J. Myers, formerly Fannie P. Amsden, known to many people in Decatur, died recently at Belvidere, Ill., aged 60 years. The family resided in Decatur in 1867.

N. D. Hicks, a well known citizen and a prominent Mason of Taylorville, died of lung trouble Tuesday at Los Angeles, California, whither he had gone in the hope that the climate would be of benefit to his failing health. Deceased was 52 years old. The telegram conveying the intelligence of Mr. Hick's death was received by relatives of the deceased at Taylorville yesterday afternoon. The remains will be brought to Taylorville for burial and will probably arrive from the west about Friday.

INDIAN STORY A FAKE.

Wichita, Kan., January 13.—A special from Earlsboro says: "Scouts out last night are coming back and report the story of the Seminole uprising a fake."

Farmers, don't fail to call at Spencer & Lehman's and see the New Deere Clang Plow. It beats them all. It is stronger, better and more convenient.

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The temperature for December, taking the average for 10 years, in the Klondike is 40 degrees below zero.

A CURIOUS OFFER.

A Sewing Machine Company's Peculiar and Unexplained Proposition.

Much discussion is rife over the fact that The Singer Manufacturing Co., makers of the famous sewing machines, propose to give one hundred of their latest improved machines in even exchange for an equal number of the oldest sewing machines, of any make, now in family use in the United States. The award is to be determined from the list of applications sent to the Company's head office in New York before March 1, 1898.

This is no guessing contest requiring a payment, a subscription, or a personal service of any sort. If you own an old sewing machine you have only to send the requisite information as to its age in order to be placed on the list and become a competitor for a prize worth having. It costs absolutely nothing but a postal card, which will surely bring to your door the best sewing machine in the world in exchange for your old one, provided it proves to be among the one hundred oldest in the list of applications made before March 1, 1898, at which date the list will be closed.

With so many as one hundred machines offered, any one with a sewing machine over five or ten years old stands a good chance to gain a new one.

The reputation of the Singer Manufacturing Company for fair dealing is well known; their offices are in every city and our readers may be well assured that they will do exactly what they promise.

The full particulars regarding sending the information to New York can be obtained from our advertising columns; they may also be procured at any of the Singer Company's offices and from their salesmen generally.

Our Neighbors

Dalton City.

Hon. D. P. Keller transacted business here last week.

Charley Hines transacted business in Sullivan last week.

Scott Turpin of Decatur visited our city last week.

Tom Sheehan of Harristown visited friends here last week.

Albert Walinder transacted business here last week.

Sam Conner of Bethany was on our streets last week.

Miss Anna Grounds visited friends in Prairie Hall last week.

J. L. Hughes transacted business in Decatur last week.

C. M. Rush of Peoria transacted business here last week.

Garrett McIntire and wife of Bethany visited J. W. McIntire last week.

Shorty Thomanson of Bethany transacted business here last week.

Milt Williamson transacted business in Lovington last week.

Joseph Burns visited Sullivan Saturday and received his books as tax collector.

Frank Henneberry visited Sullivan Saturday.

James Nolan visited Decatur Saturday.

William Fletcher transacted business in Decatur Saturday.

Joseph Hagerty and wife visited Stonington last week.

Mike McCarthy and wife visited Decatur last week.

William Collier of Bethany visited Dalton City last week.

Clarence Smith of Harristown is visiting friends here.

Harmon Muncke of Champaign was here Monday transacted business.

Lewis Babbitt transacted business in Decatur Monday.

Mike Hogan of Findley visited firends here over Sunday.

John Kinney was on our streets Monday.

Married, by Father O'Rourk at the Catholic church, Monday evening at 9:30, John Dunn to Miss Kate Hughes.

Married, by Father O'Rourk at the Catholic church Tuesday morning at 9:30, Henry Roudybush to Miss Nell Mulvey. The happy cupple left on the 2:20 train for Indiana, where they will make their futcher home.

Moweaqua.

Deputy Sheriff George B. McClelland transacted business in Shelbyville Tuesday.

R. B. Wilson is seriously ill at his home in the north part of the city.

Supervisor M. H. Miller was in Shelbyville Tuesday.

Jack Maher, who has been confined to his bed the past two weeks is again able to attend to business.

Interesting revival meetings are in progress at the Baptist church and much good is being accomplished.

James F. Cronin will soon take a much needed vacation.

John Grogan, a former resident of this vicinity, who has been the guest of frends here the past two weeks returned to his home in Indiana Friday.

Mayor E. Prescot transacted business in Shelbyville Monday.

C. F. Gaskill's new residence will soon be ready for the plasterers.

The new Christian church is nearing completion and will probably be dedicated next month.

Agent F. E. Bartlett is at the bedside of his mother, who is seriously ill at her home in Amboy.

Niantic

Married Wednesday, January 5, John Clem and Miss Mary Herrod, Elder Eunifer officiating. Only relatives and intimate friends were invited. A reception was given at the home of the groom on Thursday. Miss Herrod was one of Niantic's most useful ladies, always ready to minister to the sick and afflicted, a valuable worker in the church and Sunday school. Mr. Clem is a farmer, well respected by all who know him.

In my last week's obituary notice of Albert Hill the name of the Rev. Mr. Pierce was improperly given "Rev. Curse." Mr. Pierce was unable to meet with his congregation Sunday on account of being confined to his bed by illness. He is at Sumner, Ill.

Daniel Somers of Indiana is preaching in the town hall each night. He poses as a martyr, shut out from the Christian church, because he refuses to preach where the organ, "David's organ," as he characterizes it, can sound in his ears.

Mrs. T. T. O'Grady did shopping in Decatur Friday.

A. W. Wells is here again working in Mr. Atel's store.

Maroa.

Miss Belle McCann of Decatur was the guest of Maroa friends Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Anna Lowe of Argenta is the guest of Charles Hanks and family.

George Smart returned from St. Louis Monday.

W. E. Allen of Eaton is night operator in place of Walter Shutt, resigned.

S. H. Covault left Monday for Kirksville, Mo., for medical treatment.

B. F. Walter and wife of Decatur spent Sunday with the family of Frank Hobbs.

Silas Berkshire returned Thursday from a visit with relatives in Ohio.

Born, To H. H. Hoover and wife, January 4, a daughter.

Born, to G. L. Miller and wife, January 6, a son.

Thomas Adams and wife have moved to the Thayer property recently vacated by Bunn Parr.

R. D. Bolen has his barber shop in the room in the Schenck building vacated by Al Kempshall.

R. J. Clough and family occupied their property on Walnut street Wednesday.

A. T. Guthridge of Monarch visited Maroa, relatives Thursday. He will move to Decatur in the near future.

Miss Jennie Cade of Crawfordville, Ind., is the guest of Mrs. J. Cade and family.

Verne Sigler returned Thursday from a two weeks visit with Will Foster and family at Peoria.

Dr. D. S. Anderson and wife returned from their southern trip Saturday.

F. M. Malone has purchased the Amos Dill property. Mr. Dill will move to the farm now occupied by Calvin Braden and Mr. Braden will move to his property in the south part of town.

E. S. Titus has gone to St. Louis.

Charles Obanion and family moved to their property in the Long addtion on Wednesday.

Raymond Huff of Decatur was the guest of Maroa friends Monday.

Misses Lottie Crowell and Cora Longstreet, who have been very sick are convalescing.

Al Kempshall has accepted a position with H. C. Harrington, harness maker.

Chloris Vernon left Saturday for Olney for an extended visit.

Casner.

Mrs. Lewis Bushart has been on the sick list this week.

Miss Louie Underwood spent Sunday in Decatur with relatives.

Wilber Prather of New Mexico is making a short visit with relatives and old friends at this place. Mr. Prather left here about 10 years ago.

Mr. Mallory of the Republican force was in this place Friday on business.

I. S. Underwood, wife and daughter, spent last week visiting here, returning to their home in Decatur Saturday.

Long Creek school did not open Monday as was intended on account of the sickness of the teacher, Mr. Keller.

A. A. Jones, teacher at Union school, west of Decatur, spent Sunday with home folks.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Quickle, on Friday, January 7, a son. Grandpa McDonald is smiling and happy and even contemplates buying a new pair of spectacles.

George Darling is in Decatur at the hospital this week, where he has undergone surgical treatment. He has had his blind eye removed.

The band boys are practicing twice a week and are doing well considering the time they have been organized. They expect to give an entertainment in the near future to pay some local expenses.

Present indications point to the probability of a wedding about the middle of next week. More particulars later.

Newt Lambert has been giving entertainments here and at neighboring school houses with his garphophone. He was at the Tabernacle in Decatur Monday night. His numbers are all first class and give a good evening's entertainment

Did you see the combination offer the Republican has made for 1898? If not it will pay you to investigate. Postmaster will instruct you about it.

P. O. Beck returned Friday from Missouri, where he had been for about three weeks visiting with his father and mother.

Silas Todd and family entertained two of Mr. Todd's brothers, also Mr. Daniels of Douglass county last week.

John Burke of Boody visited the families of John Hopkins and P. O. Beck last week.

A couple of colored people gave what they called a show at Odd Fellows' hall Saturday night. Of course they were well patronized for you know the nature of "suckers," at least so we are informed by some of those in attendance. We understand they are going to try the fishing act again Saturday night.

Et. Zion.

Prof. Hergert spent the greater part of this week at Cerro Gordo helping his father-in-law, Mr. Hatfield, to move. He located at Cerro Gordo. His son, William, will stay on the farm.

Harry Ritter and family of Cerro Gordo visited here this week.

Harry Edwards of Decatur was here Tuesday bidding his friends and relatives good by, before he departed for California, where he has gone for the benefit of his health.

At the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, on Thursday, occurred the marriage of their daughter, Sadie, to Mason Phillips of Dalton City.

Sylvester Bilby is adding some improvemens on his home place.

There is no much corn being moved at the present time on account of the scarcity of cars.

Cleo Doris has returned to his school at Champaign, after spending the holidays with home folks.

Uncle Alex Bell has moved his household goods to Decatur, where he will make his home with his daughter, Mrs. Henry.

Mrs. Sarah Ann Davidson spent Sunday in Decatur.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pierce spent Sunday in Decatur.

Services began at the C. P. church last Sunday. A good meeting is hoped for.

Quite a number of our village people are on the sick list.

O. L. Conn of Decatur spent Sunday here with home folks, returning Monday.

Outten.

Jack Orris, from Prairie Home, passed through here on his way to Decatur Saturday.

Miss Bird McGaughey of Mt. Zion visited Miss Iva Gregory Friday.

Misses Mamie Falconer and Stella Riber of Mt. Zion visited Mrs. I. C. Britlow Saturday.

L. W. Wilson was a Decatur visitor Saturday.

Mr. J. F. Patton visited his parents near Terre Haute Friday.

Miss Angie Sweeny spent Sunday with her parents in Decatur.

S. M. Britlow, who lately had an operation performed for the removal of a cancer from his lip, is improving rapidly

Mrs. Charles Britlow is quite ill.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Bushart died at the family residence, south of this place on Monday last. The funeral occurred at Bethany Tuesday.

J. Moody and William Best went to Decatur on Monday.

After meals you should have simply a feeling of comfort and satisfaction. You should not feel any special indications that digestion is going on. If you do, you have indigestion, which means not digestion. This may be the beginning of so many dangerous diseases that it is best to take it in hand at once and treat it with Shaker Digestive Cordial. For you know that indigestion makes poison, which causes pain and sickness. And that Shaker Digestive Cordial helps digestion and cures indigestion. Shaker Digestive Cordial does this by providing the digestive materials in which the sick stomach is wanting. It also tones up and strengthens the digestive organs and makes them perfectly healthy. This is the rationale of its method of cure, as the doctors would say Sold by druggists, price 10 cents to $1.00 per bottle.

Sent to the Anna B. Millikin Home.

The mother of Eva Vincent, who some time ago made an application to the managers of the Anna B. Millikin home for the admission of her daughter to that institution, and later changed her mind and withdrew the application, has again made similar application. The girl, whom her mother declares is unmanageable and inclined to be out on the streets at night and wholly beyond her control, will be sent to the home temporarily and will be later sent by the managers to an institution in Chicago.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands' Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. E. King and C. F. Shilling.

LINN AND SCRUGGS

DRY GOODS & CARPET CO.

Semi-Annual Pre-Inventory Clearance of

Curtains==Shades==Rugs

It's that unusual bargain event occuring but twice yearley—just previous to stock-taking—when radical reductions on high class wares are commonplace. It's that extraordinary occasion—with all of its bargain features—found only at The Big Store. Shrewd housekeepers will do well to buy now for the Spring House-cleaning time.

$2.00 Tapestry Curtains for	$1.68	$1.25 Nottingham Curtains for	$ .98	$3.75 Irish Point Curtains for	$2.98	75c Dansta Rugs, 30x36, for	$ .49
$3.75 Tapestry Curtains for	2.98	$1.75 Nottingham Curtains for	1.49	$7.50 Irish Point Curtains for	5.49	$1.50 Dansta Rugs, 30x60, for	.98
$5.98 Tapestry Curtains for	3.98	$2.50 Nottingham Curtains for	1.75	$10.00 Etamine Curtains for	6.98	$2.50 Dansta Rugs, 36x90, for	1.98
$6.50 Tapestry Curtains for	4.98	$3.25 Nottingham Curtains for	2.25	$10.00 Renaissance Curtains for	7.49	$6.00 Dansta Rugs, 72x108, for	4.98

Clearance of Stand Covers.

75c for 98c Tapestry Covers. 98c for $1.35 Tapestry Covers. $3.98 for $5.00 Velour Covers. 49c for 75c Chenile Covers. 35c for 50c Chenile Covers.

100 Shades, 3x7 feet, mounted on good spring rollers.....8⅓c
300 Shades, 3x7 feet, best hand made cloth, mounted on best spring roller, worth 50c for.35c
500 yards Remnant Matting, worth 20c yard, your choice of it at, yd.....10c
500 feet of Room Moulding to close, at foot..... 1c

Semi-Annual Pre-Inventory Clearance in

The Cloak Section.

Bona-fide reductions of 50 per cent. in current Cloak prices are seldom presented to you. Some shops advertise a clearance at such figures, but please remember that we don't exaggerate a penny's worth. These price-lowerings are real and absolute—made to effect a sure and speedy clearance or every garment in the department.

30 Ladies' English Kersey Jackets—full lined with striped and changeable Taffeta Silks—shield front and velvet collar—new sleeve and back—Black, Navy, Tan, Royal Blue, Green and Castor. Pre-Inventory Clearance at—

$15.00.

$20.00 Ladies' Cloth Capes and Jackets—full silk lined—good assortment of black and colors, applican trimmed, men tailored. Pre-Inventory Clearance at—

$10.00.

$15.00 Ladies' Kersey and Boucle Cloth Capes and Jackets—full lined with black and colored satins, Franklin collar, shield front, new coat back. Pre-Inventory Clearance at

$7.50.

$10.00 Ladies' Kersey and Covert Cloth Jacket,—new Russian Blouse effect, plain and braid trimming, Black and Tan. Pre Inventory Clearance at—

$5.00.

ON THE BARGAIN COUNTER.

25 odd Jackets, large sizes, black lined, trimmed with buttons, small sleeve and coat back. Regular values up to $6.00. Pre-Inventory Clearance—

$1.98.

25 Ladies' Boucle Cloth Capes, full silk lined, 30 inches long, 125 inch sweep, fur trimming, Watteau back, regular values up to $6.00. Pre-Inventory Clearance—

$2.95.

Our entire Stock of Misses' and Children's Reefers Just ONE-HALF PRICE.

WRAPPERS AND TEA GOWNS.

30 dozen Ladies' fleeced and percale Wrappers, braid trimmed, ruffled shoulders, plaited back, belted waist, the $1.50 quality. Pre-Inventory Clearance—

95c.

20 Ladies' cashmere and silk tea gowns, black, blue, pink and heliotrope, fitted bodice lace trimmed, slightly soiled. Values to $10.00. Pre-Inventory clearance

$3.75.

Second Week of that

Great January Linen Selling.

It sounds impossible when we say that the second week of this sale offers even greater money-saving possibilities than the preceeding, but such is a fact. For this week we've prepared four very special offers. You'll be sure to notice the extreme smallness of the prices.

Special No. 1

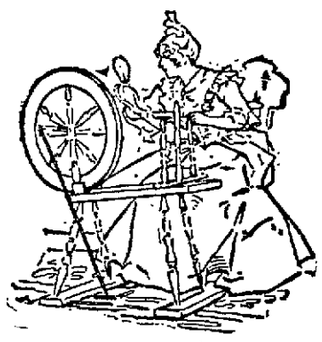
72-inch Austrian Table Damask, fine quality, no dressing, regular 60c linen at

39c yard

Special No. 2

400 dozen Fine Damask Napkins will be sold this week, ¾ Dinner Napkins, ⅝ Dinner Napkins, all in this sale. As a "Special" we offer 100 dozen Fine Napkins worth up to $3.00, choice at

$2.25 dozen



Special No. 3

150 Dozen Fine Linen Towels, Huck-a-back and Damask. Size 23x46 inches. Found on bargain tables at 25c. For our Linen Sale—

18c each

Special No. 4

300 Damask Pattern Cloths, Irish, Scotch and German, 2 to 2½ yds. wide, all go in this sale at reduced prices. One full line of 8-10 and 8-12 Cloths at the remarkably low price of

$2.49

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DURRANT IS DEAD

The Wanton Murder of Two Young Girls at San Francisco, California, in 1895.

TRAGIC CLOSE OF A CELEBRATED CASE

Last Hours of the Condemned Man---Paid the Penalty for His Atrocious Crime on the Gallows ---Story of the Killing and the Long Legal Fight.

San Quentin Prison, Cal., January 7.—With eyes rivoted on Washington, the father and mother of Theodore Durrant, spent the night in a little inn outside the prison, while the son steeled his nerves for the final ordeal, if it should come to that, by getting as much sleep as possible. Hoping against hope, demanding miracles from the slight difference in time between Washington and California, expecting some phenomenal action by the United States supreme court in response to the appeal by Attorney Boardman, when the members should take their seats at noon. Every other avenue of delay was finally closed. It only remained to see whether the court of last resort would issue a writ of prohibition or habeas corpus. In the meantime the death watch followed Durrant's every movement, lest he should attempt suicide, though he apparently had no such intentions. To a question whether he felt unnerved, he triumphantly held out an arm that did not show the least tremor, and declared that he would die without flinching. The prison physician was greatly impressed with Durrant's coolness in the face of death. This morning Durrant expressed himself as extraordinarily happy and declared that he was satisfied his lawyers had done all possible. He said: "My only sorrow is for father and mother." Concluding: "God has me in His keeping and He makes no mistakes."

With today's dawning only a faint ray of hope remained, the action of the United States supreme court. As the hours wore on the prisoner, his parents and lawyers abandoned even this slight sustaining influence. The scaffold waited.

Durrant Particular.

Morning broke with a cloudless sky. The prisoner had retired at midnight and by 1 o'clock was soundly sleeping. He rested quietly all night. At 8:15 he awoke and bidding the guards "Good morning," dressed himself in a neat suit of black, provided for the execution. No collar or necktie was provided, as they would have to be removed when the noose was placed around the neck. Durrant noticed the omission and at his request the missing articles were sent him. Durrant also remarked that the socks sent him were a little light in color and as he preferred a darker shade they were procured.

"You never saw a cooler man," said Captain Edgar. "He is calmer than you or I, not a bit nervous. There is no danger that he will weaken."

Meeting of Parents and Son.

Durrant ate a hearty breakfast with evident relish and then read a chapter from the Bible. He received a visit from Captain Edgar, to whom he expressed a desire to deliver a short address on the scaffold. The condemned man then had an affecting last interview with his mother, both struggling hard to maintain their composure. The meeting over, Durrant sent for Father Logan, a Catholic priest, who responded to the request and made necessary arrangements for the induction of the prisoner into the Catholic faith. In the presence of his father and mother and with their approval Durrant was given extreme unction and the Catholic service was performed. Durrant was very attentive. He then conversed with his parents for a few minutes, after which he bade them good by.

At 9:30 the death warrant was read to him. In the meantime a large crowd gathered about the prison.

On the Gallows.

Theodore Durrant was executed at 10:37 this morning in the state penitentiary. He ascended the scaffold calmly, following Father Logan, who administered to his wants. Durrant made a brief speech in quiet tones, asserting his innocence and forgiving those who had persecuted him, mentioning especially the press of 'Frisco. His last words were: "I am innocent." Death appeared to be painless.

The ceremonies were very simple. The audience no sooner entered the room than silence fell on the gathering. The door of the condemned cell opened and Warden Hale, followed by Father Logan and two guards appeared. The priest stepped aside and Durrant, in a voice emotionless and apparently unaffected, made a short speech. The words were cold and passionless. There was no scene on the gallows. Mrs. Durrant did not witness the execution. She remained in a room in the lower part of the prison, and showed unmistakable signs of grief, tempered with a dogged desire to create the impression that she was too proud to weep.

Durrant's farewell words were spoken in a very subdued but clear voice, which by calmness and freedom from passion or emotion, caused many heads to turn away and many eyes to fill with tears. He forgave his enemies with no trace of concealed resentment and proclaimed his innocence with the calmness of one asserting absolute truth. He was the least affected of any one gathered at the final scene. Even after the drop, he did not quiver or give other evidence of having suffered pain.

Neck Broken.

After the drop Durrant did no make a struggle. The neck was broken. In 15 minutes the body was cut down.

Durrant's father accompanied his son to the gallows. The son ascending the 13 steps to the platform, the father passing around to the front, where he remained until after the execution.

The body was taken at once to San Francisco for burial.

DECISION AGAINST DURRANT.

Attorney Boardman's Vain Effort in the United States Supreme Court.

Washington, January 7.—L. P. Boardman, attorney for Durrant, left his hotel early this morning to make the last desperate effort to secure a stay of proceedings. His plan was to see the individual members of the supreme court, in the hope of securing from one of them his signature to an order for a writ of habeas corpus. Failing in this he was to appear before the court at noon to ask for a writ of habeas corpus or prohibition. The application for a writ of stay was made to Justice Shiras by Attorney Boardman, at the former's residence before he went to the courtroom and was in the same form as the application made yesterday to Justices Brewer and Harlan. Justice Shiras declined to issue the writ. Attorney Boardman did not see the other members of the court for want of time before the convening of court. Almost immediately after the members of the supreme court took their seats Attorney Boardman sought to present the petiton for a writ of habeas corpus. He had not been admitted to the bar and to save time presented a personal petition. Attorney Boardman read the petition at length, consuming half an hour, the justices asking many questions to get at the exact status of the case. The justices then retired to consider the case.

Petition Denied.

Bulletin—The supreme court denied the writ of habeas corpus in the Durrant case. In announcing the decision of the court the chief justice said it was unanimous. The decision was reached after 30 minutes' consultation.

STORY OF THE CRIME.

Outline of the Case from Start to Finish—Long Fight in All Courts.

William Henry Theodore Durrant, who was hanged at the state prison at San Quentin today, gave his life in exchange for the lives of two young women, who were members of the church to which he belonged. His crimes were peculiar in their atrocity. He was reared in a Christian home, and until the time of his arrest was regarded as a model young man of industrious habits, who was trying to work his way through a medical college. The only characteristic that seemed marked in his nature was his piety. He had been a prominent member of the Emanuel Baptist church for several years and for a year previous to his arrest had been assistant superintendent of the Sunday school. In this capacity he made the acquaintance of Blanche Lamont and of Minnie Williams.

Blanche Lamont disappeared April 3, 1895. Many members of Emanuel church assisted in the search for the missing girl, and among others, Theodore Durrant, who had often acted as her escort. He seemed greatly distressed on account of Miss Lamont's disappearance. Ten days passed, when a discovery was made which led not only to the finding of her body, but that of another young woman, who was also missing.

The ladies of Emanuel church were engaged in decorating the edifice preparatory to the celebration of the Easter Sunday services, when the mangled body of Minnie Williams was found, almost naked, in the library. A number of ugly knife wounds and some rags that had been forced down the woman's throat, told of the struggle she had made. From some of the young woman's friends, it had been learned that she had been seen the evening before her disappearance with Durrant and the police decided to arrest him.

The police associated the finding of Miss William's body with the disappearance of Miss Lamont, and a search was at once begun in the church for her body. Men worked all night tearing up floors and breaking down partitions. A broken door knob and a turned bolt excited the suspicions of the searchers and the door leading to the belfry of the church was broken down. At the third landing, lying in the corner of the darkened belfry, the naked body of the murdered girl was found. No knife had been used to commit the crime, but the imprint of five fingers in her throat revealed the manner in which the young woman had met her death.

The post mortem examination showed that murder was not the only crime that had been committed.

The trial, which begun on July 23 and lasted until November 1, was one of the most celebrated in criminal jurisprudence. Nearly 1200 talesmen were examined before a jury was secured, and six weeks passed before the taking of testimony was begun. The evidence throughout was circumstantial, but when taken together, formed a chain so strong as to admit of no reasonable doubt, in the minds of the jury, who, after 30 minutes' deliberation, found Durrant guilty.

Durrant was first sentenced to be hanged February 21, 1896. His attorneys made a strong fight for his life, but the state supreme court affirmed the verdict, and he was sentenced to be hanged June 11, 1897. The case was then taken to the supreme court of the United States, which settled Durrant's fate by sustaining the decision of the United States circuit court of California, denying a writ of habeas corpus. Attorney General Fitzgerald immediately telegraphed from Washington to have Durrant executed at once without waiting for the mandate of the court. He was brought before Judge Bahrs of the superior court Wednesday morning and re-sentenced to be hanged November 19.

The prisoner was brought before Judge Bahrs of the superior court on November 19 and re-sentenced to be hanged November 12, but the state supreme court stayed the execution and modified Judge Bahrs' order, and December 15 Judge Bahr resentenced Durrant to be hanged today. Since that time every legal technicality has been availed of by the attorneys to again cheat the executioner. Appeals of all sorts were made to the courts, state and federal, including the circuit and supreme courts of the United States, without avail. Finally, yesterday Durrant's attorneys secured from the United States circuit court leave to file a bill of exceptions. This request granted, the attorneys hastened to San Quentin and served notice on the warden of the penitentiary, claiming that the order of the court acted as a stay of execution, but the attorney general held otherwise. He ordered the warden to proceed with the execution. The final appeal to Governor Budd yesterday also resulted in absolute refusal to interfere.

Durrant was never tried for the murder of Miss Williams, but the evidence of his guilt was as conclusive as in the Lamont case. When arrested her purse was found in his overcoat pocket. The theory of the prosecution was that Durrant murdered Miss Williams to conceal the murder of Miss Lamont. The two women were acquaintances, and Durrant suspected that Miss Williams believed she knew something about the disappearance of Miss Lamont.

BLACK FRIDAY.

Necktie Party in Georgia.

Bainbridge, Ga., January 7.—Simon Hopkins, colored, was hanged today for the murder of a man named Harris.

Still Another.

Atlanta, Ga., January 7.—Thomas Cyrus, colored, was hanged today for the murder of Annie Johnson, a domestic employed by Governor Atkinson. Death resulted from strangulation, the noose having slipped. Cyrus was infatuated with the woman, who has been his mistress. The killing was the result of finding another negro with her.

Robber Executed.

Greenfield, Mass., January 7.—John O'Neill, Jr., was hanged for the murder of Mrs. Hattie E. McCloud, and robbing the body of a small sum. O'Neill protested his innocence to the last.

Presidential Nominations.

Washington, January 7.—The president today nominated H. E. Boyer of Pennsylvania to be superintendent of the Philadelphia mint.

Postmasters—Illinois: H. D. Grigsby, Pittsfield; A. E. Sheldon, Paxton; H. P. Nichols, Maywood; J. C. Baker, Golconda; R. W. McKnight, Girard; H. D. Gemmons, Elgin; Emory Gregg, Fairbury; L. B. Hartwell, Marion; H. A. Marsh, Upper Alton; A. B. Carr, Prophetstown.

No Humbug.

Foley's Honey and Tar does not claim to perform miracles. It does not claim to cure all cases of consumption or asthma. But it does claim to give comfort and relief in advanced stages of these diseases and to usually cure early stages. It is certainly worth trying by those afflicted or threatened with these dread diseases. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Boodle—A buy-word popular among a certain class of politicians.

For Hoarseness.

Benj. Ingerson, of Hutton, Ind., says he had not spoken above a whisper for months, and one bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar restored his voice. It is used very largely by speakers and singers. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Vanhook Bros., of Elliott, finished Wednesday husking corn. Their two crops on hand amount to 20,000 bushels.

COL. MERRIAM PLEASED.

What the Newly Appointed Pension Agent Has to Say.

Springfield, Ill., January 6.—The entire general assembly has been congratulating Colonel Jonathan Merriam on the fact that his nomination to be pension agent at Chicago had been sent to the United States senate. Colonel Merriam has been longer in public life than any other member of the general assembly. His career as a conspicuous figure in the state dates from the constitutional convention of 1869-70. Now he is about to retire, and there is not one member no matter in what battles he has been engaged with Colonel Merriam on the other side, but yields admiration and respect to the sturdy man of Tazewell.

Colonel Merriam said last night:

"Of course I am gratified to receive this appointment. I will not affect to say that it was unexpected. I am not quite certain when I shall take up the duties of pension agent, certainly not before the 15th and it may be later. You see, it will not do for the new official to break into the period of making payments.

"I have no doubt I shall find the work agreeable. It will probably keep me busy, but the job will not be one of squeezing money out of anybody. On the contrary, we understand that the pension agent has a hand in making life easier for worthy men. I shall enjoy the duties there all the more for the reason that so many whom I shall meet will be my old comrades.

"When I leave the general assembly this time it will be never to return. Whether I had received this appointment or not I should not come back to the legislature. I have been in the harness a good many years. It is time for me to quit. If I were to continue in office I would only be standing in the way of younger and perhaps worthier men. But I shall not leave here while I can do any good. We need a revenue bill. And if I can help frame a good one I am willing to stay here a good many weeks yet."

W. B Anderson, the retiring pension agent at Chicago, said yesterday that the Chicago office distributed $10,826,319 during 1897 to soldiers who were granted pensions while residents of Illinois. This distribution was in every state of the union, necessitated in some instances by removals. Mr Anderson said that he was now in the midst of his quarterly payment, with $2,750,000 placed to his credit, and if Colonel Merriam took charge January 15, as he told him recently he would do, it would complicate the business of the office. Mr. Anderson was appointed by President Cleveland November 5, 1893, and his term expired several weeks ago.

TO CONFER WITH GOMEZ.

Lee and T. Estrada Palma Said to be About to Accompany Blanco.

Havana, January 8.—It has been rumored since yesterday that General Fitzhugh Lee, United States Consul General, will accompany Captain General Blanco when the latter takes the field.

It is further reported that Senor Estrada Palma, the delegate to the United States of the Cuban insurgents, will arrive here shortly, and accompany the captain general and General Lee to the field, and that a conference with General Maximo Gomez will follow. The reports have caused a sensation in this city.

New York, January 8.—The rumor that Senor Palma will accompany Blanco and General Fitzhugh Lee to the field and that a conference with General Gomez would follow is considered absurd by the junta members. Senor Palma is in Philadelphia.

Washington, January 8.—A cablegram was received in Washington last evening from Havana stating that Consul General Lee is about to accompany General Blanco into the field. The theory is advanced that it is the purpose to open communication with the insurgents with a view to negotiations for peace. The report occasions no surprise in Washington.

When shown the message Assistant Secretary Day said that General Lee was not acting upon any specific instruction from the department, and he did not know what the trip contemplated. He did not, however, indicate that there was anything improbable in the report that the consul general was going out of Havana in company with the captain general. The latest instructions which General Lee has received form the president allow him considerable latitude. He knows it is the earnest desire of the administartion to see peace restored in an honorable manner, and he is under instructions to do what he can as the representative of this government to bring it about. Recently, at the request of General Blanco, General Lee sent an attache of the consulate to investigate the disappearance of Ruiz, and to save his life if possible. He did this without notifying the state department, but was sustained subsequently in his action. It is supposed that he leaves Havana on some kind of a mission by the invitation of General Blanco, with full authority for it under his general instructions. It is suggested as a possibility that he may go to look into the condition of the reconcentrados, with the view of making a report on the relief needed.

Sales of Real Estate.

Ollie D. McWithey to Thomas E. Whitney, lot 29 in block 6 of H. A. Wood's Walnut Grove addition to Decatur; $200.

Kate M. Stoddard to Solon F. Massy, lot 11 in H. A. Wood's South Park addition to Decatur; $1.

Want an Advance.

Columbus, Ohio, January 8.—The Ohio miners' convention decided to ask for an advance of 10 cents per ton when the contracts for next year are made.

The annual business meeting of the Illinois Volunteer Firemen's association will be held Monday, January 10, at Champaign.

Champaign county has paid $290.14 bounty on 1,507 sparrows this season. Champaign township furnished 2388 of the birds.

LIFE IN ALASKA.

Stories of Starvation Discredited by Twenty Men in from Dawson.

A CHICAGO BOY LOSES BOTH FEET

Trudged Over the Snow in Chilly Blasts for Many Days—Building Activity — Warnings to Gold Seekers.

Juneau, Alaska, January 3.—Twenty men arrived here from Dawson. Some of them have been in the interior of Alaska for 10 years. They unhesitatingly state that there is no danger of starvation and no necessity for the government relief expedition. They say that the 30 mile river between Lake Lebarge and the Hootalinqua is open water. Most of those who arrived tonight intend going back as soon as possible with supplies for the coming year. The trail is reported in a very fair condition. For two weeks the weather has been very mild.

Both Feet Amputated.

Shanau, Alaska, January 2.—Captain Wood, in command of a detachment of the Northwest mounted police, which extends from White Pass Summit to Lake Tagish, warns all persons en route to Klondike that they will not be permitted to pass Tagish House unless each person has at least six hundred pounds of provisions.

William Byrne of Chicago lies in a cabin on Lewis river with both feet amputated. While Byrne and Uncle James E. Maguire were making their way up the river from Dawson, December 6, Byrne, who is only 18 years old had both feet frozen. They continued the journey five days. The boy suffered horribly. The flesh began to drop from the frozen feet. Still they forged ahead with the bones protruding from Byrne's feet until they reached Lewes river. The doctor who happened to be in camp amputated both legs near the knees. Maguire reached Shagua yesterday in a dying condition, having been seized with quick consumption on the way up. The building operations are being pushed night and day. Some buildings are to be used as hotels, lodging houses, some as dance halls, variety theatres and saloons. Each incoming steamer brings hundreds of people. It is almost impossible to secure hotel or lodging house accommodations. Restaurants, saloons and gambling houses are thronged day and night. General business is good. Tents are being put up wherever an available site can be found, generally in the street.

SHOT TWO OFFICERS.

Work of a Farmer and His Family Near Tuscola on Friday.

Tuscola, Ill., January 8.—A battle took place near here yesterday between Sheriff Frank D. Bagley and a posse of deputies and Joseph Godschalk, his wife and a farm hand, Glem Filder. For some time there has been litigation over Godschalk's 80-acre farm, he having slept on his rights and allowed the mortgagee to buy it in. The latter wanted possession, but Godschalk was obdurate and threatened to shoot any officer who attempted to dispossess him.

The effort was made, and Godschalk carried out his threat, wounding Deputy Sheriffs C. A. Moon and Frank Bassett with shotguns. When the posse got within 100 yards of the house, Godschalk and Fidler threw up the windows and opened fire. They were assisted by the farmer's wife, who loaded the guns as fast as they were emptied. Ten or twelve loads were fired by them at the advancing officers, who returned the fire from their revolvers. Up to the present it is not known that any of the inmates were killed or wounded, as no one has dared to make inquiry. The officers were forced to retire from the field, as they were unable to dislodge the farmer, his wife and assistant. Moon was wounded in the leg, while Bassett was shot in the face, neither fatally.

Sheriff Bagley will make another attempt to carry out the orders of the court and will take a company of 25 men, armed with Winchesters. Another battle is expected.

J. A. Perkins, of Antiquity, O., was for thirty years needlessly tortured by physicians for the cure of eczema. He was quickly cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve the famous healing salve for piles and skin diseases. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Denying a fault doubles it.

Mrs. Stark, Pleasant Ridge, O., says, "After two doctors gave up my boy to die I saved him from croup by using One Minute Cough Cure." It is the quickest and most certain remedy for coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

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Many have lost confidence and hope as well as health, because they have been told their Kidney disease was incurable. Foley's Kidney Cure is a guaranteed remedy for the discouraged and disconsolate. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

John Myler of Ogden has sold his 80 acres of land for $70 per acre and bought the Thomas Mead 40 acres for $3000.

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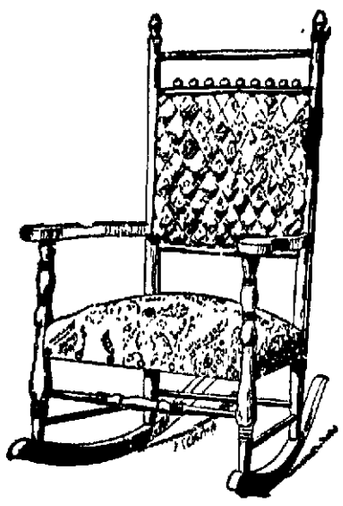

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Sister Afra of St. Elizabeth's hospital at Danville, died of typhoid fever.

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Miss Allie Hughes, Norfolk, Va., was frightfully burned on the face and neck. Pain was instantly relieved by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which healed the injury without leaving a scar. It is the famous pile remedy. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Twenty persons have professed conversion in the Baptist revival at Mowequa.

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Weekly Republican.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 1898.

LOCAL NEWS.

W. R. Howell has been appointed postmaster at Cushman in Moultrie county in place of J. F. Rink, resigned.

The Lincoln Democrats have organized a Silver Club with J. W. Collins president. Large quarters will be secured and a big membership is expected.

T. L. Weakley of Kenney has sold his blacksmith shop and part of the tools to Charles Brelsford for $840. Mr. Weakley will move to a larger town, probably Springfield.

Three of the county telephones furnished by the Central Union company that it was at first intended to take out will stay in. They are the ones in the office of the circuit clerk, in the residence of the sheriff, and at the poor farm. That one at the circuit clerk's office was disconnected but has been connected up again and the one at the poor farm will stay there until April 1 at least.

Hon. Adlai E. Stevenson, ex-vice president, arrived in Bloomington Friday, and is the guest of his brother, John C. Stevenson, with whom he will remain until the arrival of Mrs. Stevenson and Miss Letitia, who stopped to visit friends in Philadelphia. Mr. Stevenson said that his sojourn in Europe had been most pleasant and interesting. He spoke enthusiastically of the kind and courteous treatment everywhere accorded the international monetary commission, of which he is a member.

CONVENTION CLOSES.

Clay Workers Finished Their Business Yesterday and Returned Home.

From the Daily of Friday.

The members of the Illinois Clay Workers' Association, who were in session in this city closed their business yesterday afternoon. After the discussion of the papers at the afternoon session the clerk read a letter from John Warner, the mayor of Peoria, inviting the association to hold the next meeting in that city. J. M. Elder extended an invitation to the convention to meet in that city. Both invitations were referred to the executive committee. The next place of meeting will not be decided for six months. The treasurer reported a total on hand of $132 08and the secretary reported bills due amounting to $66.40. The reports were approved and orders drawn for the amounts.

The following officers were elected and on taking their places each made a speech:

President—H. F. Townsend of Avon.

Vice President—Henry Ammann of Decatur.

Secretary—G. C. Stoll of Grant Park.

Treasurer—William Stare of Mendota.

After the close of the convention the visitors were entertained with an exhibition by the fire department. At 4:30 o'clock an alarm was turned in and the entire fire department came to Lincoln square. Six minutes after the alarm was turned in the entire department and the patrol wagon had arrived, three leads of hose had been laid and two ladders raised. The exhibition lasted about 15 minutes and showed to good advantage the ability of our firemen and the amount of apparatus.

Weddings.

From the Daily of Thursday.

J. E. Robinson and Miss Willetta Thompson were married last night at 8 o'clock at the home of the bride at the corner of Cerro Gordo and Church streets, Rev. W. F. Gillmore officiated. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson left last night for Chicago, where they will visit for a week and will then go to West Grove, Iowa, where the groom is engaged in the lumber business. The bride has been employed in the office of the Western Union Telegraph company in this city.

George Smetters and Miss Myrtle Hale were married last night at the bride's home on East Waggoner street, Rev. J Bernard officiating

Martin L. Pugh and Miss Della Tilton, both of Forsyth, were married yesterday by Judge Hammer.

H. M. Potter and Miss Henrietta Leighton were united in marriage last night at 7 o'clock at the parsonage of the Church Street Christian church, Rev. George F. Hall officiating.

$100 Reward $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address

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Town Collector's Bonds.

The following town collectors' bonds were filed in the circuit clerk's office:

Robert F. Hill, South Wheatland, $14,586.92; bondsmen, H. Price, Thomas M. Hill, B. O. McReynolds and K. H. Roby.

Ambrose Wilt, Illini, $24,975.59; bondsmen, William Ritchie, Emery Jauvin, Joseph Brown, C. H. Faith and G. A. and J. M. Randolph.

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A CELEBRATED CASE.

An Effort to Take a Poor Man's Farm from Him on Account of a Justice's Error.

From the Daily of Friday.

Taylorville Democrat: One of the most interesting cases ever tried in any court of record in Christian county, was on trial before Judge Farmer yesterday and today. The case in question is a chancery proceeding entitled, Philip Boll vs. Dr. A. D. Kyner et al. The suit was brought to enjoin another suit, now pending on the law side of the court, entitled Dr. A. D. Kyner vs. Philip Boll, being an action of ejectment. The facts in the case, as nearly as we can ascertain, are about as follows: Some time along in the early 60's, an old farmer of Mt. Auburn township named Welsh, made a deed conveying to his adopted daughter, who was then married, what he evidently intended as a fee simple in 160 acres of land situated in Mosquito township. The instrument was drawn up by an old justice, who held forth in Mt. Auburn at that time. It seems the old justice was anxious to show his familiar by with Blackstone, and instead of making the deed read "to her and her heirs," etc, the old man could not withstand the temptation of airing his learning and inserted: to her and her "bodily" heirs, etc. This, of course, would entail the estate. However, a few years later, after a child had been born and died, an effort was made by the grantee to have the deed corrected, but unfortunately the new deed fails to show such intention on its face. About 20 years ago, Mr. Boll purchased the farm from Dr. Kyner and has since paid the entire purchase price, besides improving the place to the tune of $3000. Mrs. Kyner is now dead and this is an attempt on the part of her heirs to oust Boll on account of defective title, and thereby deprive the poor old German farmer of the fruit of labor to which the best part of his life has been devoted and kick him out, as it were, upon the mercy of a cold, cold world.

The whole transaction reminds one forcibly of Warner's famous work entitled, "Ten Thousand a Year," with the exception that the "Tittlebat Titmouse," ousted a man who was reasonably well able to take care of himself, while these modern "Titmice," in the shape of the Kyner heirs, are trying to take everything from a man in his declining years, on account of legal technicality for which at least he was not responsible.

Mr. Boll is represented by Messrs. McBride and Prive, while the "Titmouse" end of the litigation is ably championed by J. B. Ricks of this city and General Noble of St. Louis. All the evidence is in and the case is set for argument at a later date. It remains to be seen whether the cold letter of the law must be enforced, or whether there is anything in equity to prevent what appears to be a palpable injustice.

The Late Samuel Heft.

Died, at his home in Austin township, Macon county, Ill, January 3, 1898, at about 11 o'clock a. m., Samuel Heft, aged 69 years, 4 months and 12 days. He had been in ill health for several months prior to his death. He was born in Fairfield county, Ohio, August 31, 1828, his wife, Elizabeth, having preceded him nearly 21 years: to their union were born 14 children, five of whom died in infancy. One, Nelson, died February 25, 1871, nearly 17 years of age, and Annie E. died March 9, 1894, in her 28th year. Those living are William, Foster, Scott, John, Oma, Stella, Clara. Mr. Heft was liked by all who knew him, was a good neighbor, being always ready and willing to do his part, was always found as good as his word, straight and upright in all of his transactions. He tried to live a Chrisitan life, having been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church for a number of years and seemed to be prepared for the end. During his severe suffering he spoke often of being relieved by death. When at last the end came he was conscious to the last, and had been talking but a few minutes before. His last words were, "I'm going! I'm going." He leaves a beautiful home of 160 acres of land, well improved. By his death a good neighbor is missed. He was one of the early settlers here. Dr. E N Wheeler of Latham was the attending physician, who announced some time ago that death was but a short ways off. The funeral services took place at the residence Tuesday, January 4, at about 1:30 p m., conducted by Rev. W. S. Miller of Chestnut. Mr. Gordon of Mt. Pulaski conveyed the remains to the family graveyard, known as the Emery cemetery, one and one half miles north of the residence. The pall bearers were J. Bradshaw, A. Christison, W. E. Williams and C. L. Hadly. All old acquaintances of the deceased, a large concourse of friends and relatives followed the remains to their last resting place. The children have the sympathy of the entire community in their sad bereavement. Peace to his ashes.

Annual Meeting.

The regular annual meeting of the Mosquito Mutual Fire Insurance company was held at Blue Mound this week. Policies aggregating $100,000 are in force. There was a large attendance of stockholders, and a lively interest was manifested in all the proceedings. The question of allowing for damages to lightning rods came up for discussion, and the general opinion prevailed that nothing should be allowed. Three new directors were elected—Schrantz, Stewart and Drake. The new board met and chose the following officers: H. J. Yarnell, president; W. H. Bean, secretary; J. A. Armstrong, treasurer.

All Quiet in School.

Blue Mound Leader: H. H. Slater last week resigned his position in the government mail service, and will continue his work as principal of the Blue Mound school. J. T. Kester last Monday took charge of the grammar department, and Dwight Shick is teaching the Salem school, formerly presided over by Mr. Kester.

G. W. Yates of Champaign has closed his dry goods store.

BANANA JOE LOST.

Justice Provost Decided Against Him This Morning in the Attachment Cases.

AN OKLAHOMA FAMILY QUARREL

Resulted in a Law Suit in the Justice Courts This Morning—Other Cases That are to Come Up.

From the Daily of Friday.

Joe Bartello, the fruit vender, went back to jail this morning feeling worse than he has at any time yet during his troubles. This morning at 9 o'clock Justice Provost rendered his decision in the attachment cases which were brought against Joe. He decided in favor of the plaintiffs and gave them judgment for the amounts named in their affidavits.

The cases came up last week and were all four tried at the same time before a jury in Provost's court. The trial lasted for two days and then the jury disagreed and was discharged. When the second trial came up yesterday the attorneys agreed to let the justice decide the case on the evidence introduced at the first trial and the decision was rendered this morning.

The case against Bartello for obtaining goods under false pretenses was continued until Friday, January 14. The grand jury will be in session by that time and it is possible that some action in the matter will be taken by that body. The trial for rights of property will come up next Wednesday before Justice Smith.

Patterson Discharged.

Charles Patterson was before Justice Provost this morning to answer a charge of flourishing a weapon. The suit was the result of a family fight in the Oklahoma district of the city. Attorney J. T. Whitley appeared for the defense and Attorney J. H. Latham prosecuted the case. One of the neighbors dared Patterson to come out and fight and when he came out of the house he displayed a revolver. The testimony was heard this morning and Patterson was released.

Vagged.

John W. Thomas was before Justice Hardy this morning for vagrancy. He was given 30 days in the county jail.

Caught His Man.

Constable Harry Midkiff returned home last night from Terre Haute, where he arrested Frank Long, who is wanted for forgery. Midkiff has been after the man for the past six months, but he has moved about from place to place so rapidly that it was impossible to catch him. When arrested at Terre Haute he was working in a gambling room. He will have a trial next Monday morning before Justice O. W. Smith.

WEDDING NEAR BOODY.

Marriage of John H. Portwood of Edgar, Neb., and Miss Emma E. Ward.

From the Daily of Friday.

A quiet wedding occurred on Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Ward, three miles west of Boody. It was the marriage of John H. Portwood of Edgar, Neb, and Miss Emma E. Ward The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. M. Danely of the Methodist circuit, before a number of the friends of the couple. After the ceremony a dinner was served. Mr. and Mrs. Portwood left at 4 o'clock for Edgar, Neb., near which place they will make their future home. The bride, Miss Ward, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Ward and is a young lady who is highly esteemed by a large circle of acquaintances The groom is a man who stands high in the community in which he lives.

Smitters--Hale.

George W. Smitters and Miss Myrtle Hale were married last night at the home of the bride's parents, Mr and Mrs G. H Hale, 506 East Waggoner street. About 20 relatives and friends were in attendance. The ceremony was performed at 8 o'clock by Rev. J. Bernard, pastor of the Church of God. The bride was attired in a handsome costume of white henrietta cloth trimmed with lace and ribbon and carried a bunch of hyacinths. At the conclusion of the ceremony a wedding supper was served to the guests. The bride is the daughter of Mr and Mrs. G. A. Hale and the groom is a young farmer living near Argenta. Mr. and Mrs Smitters have gone to the groom's home to reside. Among those from out of the city in attendance at the wedding was Miss Lida Smitters, sister of the groom, of Argenta.

Installation at Macon.

From the Daily of Thursday.

Last evening a number of Knights of Pythias went to Macon to install the officers of Beacon Lodge, No. 434, of that place. Deputy Grand Chancellor J. B. Dinges was the installing officer. The others who went from this city were John Allen, G. A. Ahrens, A. R. Cope, D. E. Cloyd, Neil Dew and J. M. Dodd The party drove to Macon and back in a vehicle. After the installation a banquet was served by the Macon knights. The Beacon lodge is the infant lodge of this county, having been organized three years ago. There are now 44 members.

The officers of Couer de Leon lodge will be installed tonight and tomorrow night Mr. Dinges with a number of others, will go to Maroa to install new officers and confer the rank of esquire upon one candidate.

Married in Chicago.

James W. Schackford and Mrs. Bina H. Wincup were married several days ago at Chicago. Mrs. Wincup was a widow and was formerly Miss Bina Hatch. She lived in this city a number of years ago and is well known to many Decatur people.

HUBBARD—GHER WEDDING.

Occurred Last Night at the Home of S. R. Gher—Ceremony Performed by Rev. W. C. Miller.

From the Daily of Friday.

The marriage of Charles T. Hubbard and Miss Nellie Gher occurred last night at 8 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Gher, on West Macon street. The officiating clergyman was Rev. W. C. Miller, pastor of the First Congregational church.

The Mendelssohn wedding march was played by Miss Edna Bunn as the couple entered the front parlor and stood in front of Rev. Miller. After the ceremony, which was witnessed by about 40 relatives and friends, a fine wedding supper was served.

The bride wore a very becoming gown of white organdie and carried a bunch of roses. The house was prettily decorated for the occasion, holly mistletoe, and carnations being used. The couple received many handsome presents. Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard have commenced housekeeping at No. 1405 North Main street.

The groom is the eldest son of Mr. Hubbard, widow of the late Dr. J. T. Hubbard. He is superintendent of the mail carriers at the postoffice and has held the position creditably for many years. Miss Gher is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Gher. She is a charming and accomplished young lady, who has many friends in the city.

STILL IN DEBT.

Illinois State Fair Board—1897 Net Receipts, $20,000.

At the January meeting of the Illinois state board of agriculture held this week at Springfield, Secretary Garrard submitted his report.

It shows the following expenditures for the past year: State appropriations for salaries, etc, $8,512.19, state fair expenses, $21,187.55; fat stock show expenses, $68,818.55, fertilizers, $150; construction and improvements, $71,770.46, making a total of $150,788.75.

The receipts, net, from the last state fair were in the neighborhood of $20,000. The appropriations made by the 40th general assembly were a shade over $71,000. The net result shows the board of agriculture still in debt, but in far better condition than for many previous years

Contrary to expectations, the board did nothing regarding the recent horse show at Chicago Colonel Judy said it was not necessary to take it up now, and Colonel Funk held the same opinion. Senator Landrigan wanted the world to know that the board stood "pat," had nothing to "take back" and was still doing business at the old stand.

MEETING CLOSES.

The Veterinary Surgeons Will Return to Their Homes This Evening.

From the Daily of Friday.

The annual meeting of the Illinois Veterinary Medical and Surgical Association will close this evening. This morning papers were read by Dr. C. A. Hurlbutt and Dr. Hunt and this afternoon there were papers by J. H. Bagley, John Osborn and D. C. Kretzer. The officers of the society made their annual reports The society will hold the semi-annual meeting next August in this city The following are the officers elected for the ensuing year:

President—John Osborne of Nokomis.

First Vice President—C. A. Hurlbutt of Stonington.

Second Vice President—V. G. Hunt of Arcola.

Secretary—A Travis of Girard.

Treasurer—William Swain of Mt Pulaski.

Committee on Membership—S. H Swain, W. C. Dawson, A. Travis, W. A Swain and Fred Glassbrenner.

Committee on Program—John Osborne, A Travis and S. H. Swain.

Committee on Legislation—S. H. Swain, John Osborne, V. G. Hunt and C. A. Hurlburt.

DEATH OF F. D. ALLEN.

Passed Away at the Home of His Brother In the 30th Year of His Age.

From the Daily of Thursday.

Frank D. Allen, who had been down with typhoid fever for some time, died at 2:50 a. m. today (January 6), at the home of his brother, Edwin G. Allen, 1606 East William street, in the 30th year of his age. The deceased was a son of Samuel C. Allen, and for some years had been a salesman in the city. He was a young man who had many close personal friends and all will regret to learn of his untimely death. Dr. O. R. Allen and W. L. Allen of Martin, Tenn., are also brothers of the deceased.

S. F. Crum of Beardstown Missing.

In the past few days several of the friends in the city of S. F. Crum of Beardstown have received telegraphic messages from his relatives at that place asking for information as to his whereabouts. Mr. Crum left his home about a week ago telling his family he was coming to Decatur, but did not tell them of his intentions of staying. They have heard nothing from him since he left, further than that he was boarding at a hotel here on Front or Eldorado street, but diligent inquiries at all the hotels and lodging houses have failed to locate him. Dr. Lyles, a young physician of Beardstown, who this week located here, met Crum at the station last Friday morning and to Dr. Lyles' inquiries as to what he intended doing, Crum replied that he had been employed by the Wabash and was firing an engine, but expected to be given a position as engineer in a few days. This is, so far as known, the last time he was seen or heard from and his relatives are very much alarmed and are of the opinion that he has been foully dealt with.

The Illini Mutual Company.

At the meeting of the Illini Mutual Fire Insurance company stockholders held at Warrensburg, C. L. Hall, J. A. Conley and David Schroll were elected directors. Later J. A. Conley was elected president and E. J. Roberts secretary. The association is 22 years old. The value of policies now in force is $830,000. The membership fee is $1 and the insurance rate is 80 cents per hundred.

HORRIBLY BURNED.

The Infant Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Ellison Met With a Horrible Accident.

THE CHILD WAS LEFT ALONE

In a Room and Its Clothes Caught Fire From a Stove—Wounds Will Probably Not Be Fatal.

From the Daily of Thursday.

A horrible accident occurred this morning to a little child, the one year old daughter of George Ellison and wife. The babe was terrible burned and as a result suffered great agony. The injuries will probably not prove fatal, but the accident was a most shocking one.

The family live in an old house at 819 North Franklin street. The front part of the house is vacant and the family occupy two very small rooms at the rear. The part of the house occupied is in a miserable condition. It is poorly furnished and is filthy in the extreme. About 11 o'clock this morning Mrs Ellison left her two children in one of the rooms while she went to the next house to get some water. When she returned she found her little daughter enveloped in flames. The child's dress was on fire and the clothing was burned through to the skin in several places. The mother extinguished the flames and on examining the child found that she was badly burned. Dr. Arthur Wilhelmy was called and gave the child medical attention. The skin was burned over a large surface and was burned deep into the flesh. The child's back, head, ears and one arm were badly burned. The wounds were dressed and the doctor thinks that the child with good care will recover from the injuries.

No one seems to know how the child was burned, but as there was a kitchen stove in the room it is thought that the baby was playing with the fire while the mother was gone and in that way the clothes became ignited. The rooms were in such a filthy condition that Dr. Wilhelmy ordered the occupants of the house to clean them out as they were not a fit place in which to care for the sick child. The little babe suffered terribly from the burns but the wounds were carefully dressed and it is probable that the child will recover from the injuries.

Child Will Recover.

The child of George Ellison and wife, who was severely burned yesterday will probably recover from the injuries. Dr. Wilhelmy, who is attending the child, says that the infant now shows signs of recovery, but that later complications may set in.

THE VETERINARY SURGEONS.

Annual Session of the Illinois Association is in Session in Decatur To-Day--Attendance Good.

From the Daily of Thursday.

The ninth annual meeting of the Illinois Veterinary Medical and Surgical Association convened in this city today. The first session opened at 1:30 o'clock at the office of the president, Dr. S. H. Swain, on South Franklin street. The society is composed of many of the veterinary surgeons of the state and they meet twice a year in Decatur to discuss their work. The officers presiding are as follows:

President—Dr. S H Swain.

Secretary—Dr. V. H. Hunt of Arcola

Treasurer—Dr. Hurlburt of Stonington.

This afternoon four papers were read Dr. A. Travis spoke of the subject "Azoturia." Dr. S. H. Swain read a paper on "Uterine Prolapsus," and Dr. C. A. Hurlburt spoke on "Periodical Opthalmia." A paper on the subject "Tuberculosis in Bovines" was read by Dr. S. D. Brown. All of the papers were interesting and after the reading of each there was a general discussion. In connection with some of the papers experiments were shown.

The delegates will enjoy themselves in a social way this evening and tomorrow another session will be held at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. Papers will be read by J. H. Bagley, John Osborn and D C. Kretzer. Officers are to be elected, committees appointed and some other business is to be transacted during the meeting.

The members who arrived in the city today and are expected this afternoon to attend the meeting are as follows: Drs. V. H. Hunt of Arcola, A. Travis of Girard, M. Faw of Benson, W. C. Dawson of Lovington, W. A. Swain of Mt. Pulaski, Fred Glassbrenner of Alton, John Osborn of Nokomis, S. D. Brown of Assumption, John Moran of Clinton, John Gross of Cerro Gordo, G. G. Baumgardner of Champaign, W. S. Brathworth of Champaign, J. H. Bagley of Carmago, J. M. Reed of Mattoon and C. C. Herron of Raymond.

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SENATOR HANNA.

Opposition Knocked Out Again at the Joint Session at Columbus.

THE VOTE WAS 73 TO 70

And Mr. Hanna will Wear the Toga for the Short and Long Terms—Last Gasps of Kurtz & Co. of No Avail.

Bulliton,

Columbus Ohio, January 11.—Hon M A Hanna got 58 votes in the house and 17 in the senate, enough to elect him

The Ballot for Senator.

Columbus, Ohio, January 11.—Both branches of the legislature met at 10 a m Both took a ballot for senator at 11 o'clock The call of the house showed that Representative Cramer, Democrat, was the only absentee The sergeant at-arms was despatched for him. He was very sick and his physician forbade attendance, but Cramer insisted upon being carried into the chamber

Quite a large delegation went to the boarding house of Cramer to fight it out with his physician and family.

After waiting half an hour the Republicans moved that further proceedings be dispensed with This meant to proceed with the ballot in the absence of Cramer The test vote resulted 56 yeas, 53 nays, and the house dispensed with the call and proceeded to business. There was great applause on the Republican side

Fire Works

Representative Kenney rose to a question of privilege and had read charges of offers of bribery to Otis of Hamilton county He offered a resolution that a committee of five be appointed to investigate these and any other charges of bribery affecting any member of the house.

Mr Ashford moved to amend the resolution to read "investigate any other charges or persons connected with the election of United States senator." A motion was made on the Democratic side to suspend the rules to consider the Kenney resolution It was at once defeated by the same vote, 53 ayes 56 nays. Again there was applause on the Republican side The votes were on strict party lines, except five Republicans who voted with the 47 Democrats

Rival Candidates

The names of Marcus A Hanna and Robert L McKisson were then presented. Mr Leland praised Hanna in a dignified manner, but Smith referred to treachery in the party in strong terms. This brought out Bramley in vigorous terms in presenting the name of McKisson. There was loud demonstrations of hisses, with cries of "traitor" The nomination of McKisson was seconded by Jones of Stark county also a Republican The Democrats took no part except in voting and applauding Jones applauded President McKinley in a speech and denounced Hanna

Back in the Fold.

On the roll call Griffith, Manuel, Joyce, Droste et Kemper and Lane Republicans, who have been acting with the opposition, cast their votes for Hanna There was tremendous cheering which was renewed when the result was made known, Hanna 58, McKis on 19, scattering 1 The speaker announced Hanna the choice of the house for the short term The ballot was then taken for the long term and resulted the same The announcement was greeted with another long, loud demonstration The house then adjourned and the crowd turned the hall into a jollification meeting, the crowds singing "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

Vote in the Senate

Columbus Ohio, January 11.—In the senate every senator was in his seat to record his action on the first ballot for senator It was just 11 o'clock when Senator Sullivan arose to nominate Hanna

The vote for both the short and long terms stood 19 for McKisson, 17 for Hanna This number with his 56 in the house gave Hanna exactly the necessary 73 for election with all present

There was a remarkable scene when the result in the house was announced in the senate The Republicans stood on chairs and shouted themselves hoarse for Hanna and victory

Then the crowd trooped across to the Neil house to congratulate Hanna.

The houses meet in joint session tomorrow to canvass today's vote There is nothing to prevent any member of either house changing his vote in the joint session but no change is expected.

M'KISSON A BIRD.

Queer Speech of a Coalition Leader in the Presence of Democrats.

Columbus Ohio, January 11.—After being in caucus all night the Democrats of the legislature agreed on Mayor McKisson of Cleveland as the only Republican they would support for senator. When it was found that it was absolutely impossible to agree upon either Governor Bushnell or Charles L. Kurtz McKisson was called in. He made a speech, saying in substance:

"Gentlemen:—Publicly and before the people I am and must be a Republican. But I assure you and pledge you, if elected to the United States senate by this fusion, I will stand upon the Chicago platform" This pledge was satisfactory and the caucus declared for McKisson for both the short and long terms.

House.

Columbus, Ohio, January 12.—When the house convened at 10 a. m Representative Otis was promptly recognized on a question of privilege He made a long statement regarding the alleged Boice bribery charges He said it was due the house and himself to have an investigation before proceeding further in the election of United States senator He offered a resolution accordingly The motion to suspend the rules for the immediate consideration of the resolution was defeated 50 to 52 The vote was precisely the same as the votes cast on the two ballots for the short and long term senator.

Representative Stuart, one of the Hanna leaders, said there would come a proper time for the fullest investigation, but this was the time for electing senator He moved a recess till noon. The opposition moved to make the recess five minutes This was defeated 52 to 56, showing that Hanna held the house by the same majority as on yesterday.

Senate.

In the senate Mr Burke offered a resolution demanding an investigation of the charge of $1750 offered by alleged agents in the interest of Hanna for the vote of Otis, the resolution providing for a committee of five, consisting of three Democrats and two Republicans. A long and bitter discussion followed The point was made that this investigation was a matter for the house, as it concerned one of its members and that the house had refused to investigate

Joint Ballot.

Columbus, Ohio, January 12.—The two houses got together in joint session shortly after noon, and proceeded with the election of United States senator Hanna and McKisson were formally nominated Then the houses balloted successively for senator for the short and long term The results as announced showed Hanna received 17 in the senate and 56 in the house, exactly the same as yesterday, or a total of 73 to a total of 70 for McKisson, and Hanna was declared duly elected for the short term, ending March 4, 1899.

The ballot for the long term, extending six years from March 4, 1899, followed It was taken with little excitement as the result was a foregone conclusion. The results were the same as for the short term and were so declared. Then there was a jollification, which came when the result for the short term was announced It broke out afresh with renewed vigor Pandemonium reigned supreme The galleries went wild and members of the legislature joined in the demonstration. A committee was sent to the Niel house to escort Hanna to the state house, while the crowds outside took up the demonstration

HOW THE VICTORY WAS WON.

Combine Was a Rope of Sand—Ovation to Senator Hanna

Columbus, Ohio January 12.—The senate and house both adjourned last evening until 10 o'clock today A joint resolution was adopted to meet in joint convention at noon today to canvass the vote cast for senator McKisson had a majority of two in the senate, and Hanna three over all in the house There was no election de jure, but there was a de facto election

Great Demonstration

When the two houses adjourned, there was a general stampede for the Neil house to congratulate Senator Hanna on the result The feeling for him became intensely strong, because of the charges of bribery that had been made by his enemies against some of his friends As many believed the charges to have been sprung for effect on the eve of the balloting, there were many who said the charges did Hanna more good than harm

Mayor McKisson denies that he pledged himself to free silver or to stand on the Chicago platform when called into the Democratic caucus The Democrats and others present confirm this report and state that Mayor McKisson said he was a bimetallist and opposed to the policy of Secretary Gage, but he would not stand for the free and unlimited coinage of silver

The opposition to Hanna has evidently given up the hope of having any changes today on the joint ballot Representative Haslitt who voted for General Wiley, was a member of the Democratic steering committee, and had been working to keep the Democratic members in line for Bushnell, Kurtz or any other Republican who could be elected over Hanna He says he voted for a Democrat because he had been fooled by the Republicans opposed to Hanna. They assured him Monday night that they had eight Republicans against Hanna and only showed six on the ballot, one in the senate and five in the house

Representative Guyman, chairman of the Democratic steering committee, said Hanna had now enough votes recorded to elect, and his election, it is believed, cannot be prevented unless some of his supporters die, become seriously sick or are absent at the joint ballot

Charles Gerrish, the coalition chief clerk of the house, said Hanna was considered beaten up to an hour before the legislature convened yesterday morning, when the "combine" learned that Representatives Droste and Lane would not present the name of Jephtha A Garrard, the silver Republican, who has had headquarters in operation here for over two weeks It was said that Droste would present the name of Garrard and Lane second it, and that their two votes would cause a deadlock and possibly make a compromise winner out of Garrard. When Droste early in the roll call voted loudly for Hanna that was the signal for cheers on the Republican side, as he voted before the names of Griffith, Joyce, Lane, Manuel or any of the other doubtful ones were called, and all the doubtful ones were afterward recorded for Hanna All the Republican fusionists from Cincinnati voted for Hanna except Otis.

Hardly had the result of the ballot been announced before a crowd filled the corridors and cheered for Hanna, which swept throughout the house and out on the streets Senator Hanna responded to the repeated calls from his friends, and in answer to their demands made a speech congratulating them on behalf of the Republican party for the auspicious outcome

"It is not so much a matter of personality with me," said he, "as it is a question of keeping the pledges and upholding the integrity of the party, and of giving heed to the will of the people."

The excited crowd lifted the senator from the floor, and man after man embraced him while others were shaking both hands. Finally, the crowd was held back and got into line, and for fully an hour the senator stood and grasped the hands and listened to the exultant congratulations of the crowd

"Thank God, the right will prevail," "Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow," and kindred expressions filled the air in choral singing One veteran, with uplifted hat, shouted "Senator this takes a load off me as big as a freight car"

The crowd's cheering continued unabated during the afternoon The feeling of relief among the Republicans was indescribable They realized only the impending danger and gave way to extravagant expressions of pleasure The whole city was wild with excitement

At the Great Southern hotel there were many complaints against members on the Democratic side, as well as on the Republican side of the house Some charged that Mr. Kurtz sacrificed McKisson and did not want to be voted for himself for senator when there were not enough votes in sight to elect

The Democratic members held a conference with a view to bringing out a straight Democratic candidate for senator, and for that honor John R McLean was the favorite. In that event it was thought Hanna might secure the entire Republican vote

ILLINOIS POSTMASTERS.

W. I. Calhoun, of Decatur, in the List of Senate Confirmations.

Washington, January 11.—The senate has confirmed the following Illinois postmasters: C Allord, Beardstown; L Bullard, Forrest; H H. Bennett, Coal City, S. L. Bennett, Robinson, S. A Ballou, Naperville; R. F Bradford, Pontiac, A T. Barnes, Bloomington; G H Beatty, Delavan; W F Calhoun, Decatur, J E Creger, West Chicago, J. F Crawford, Warsaw; A Chalman, Batavia, P A. Coat, Gibson City, W Colyer, Albion, J C Culbertson, Sumner; H L Cushing, Assumption, G A. Ewing, Neoga, N W Foltz, Atlanta, F A Freer, Galesburg, T. T. Gosset, Roseville, J F Gregory, Moweaqua; S W Grow Elmhurst; C F Holt, Hospital H P Huntsinger, Pickneyville; W H Hainlin, Maecrab, W M Hogue, Marshal, F A Hugh Havana, F C Kile Blue Island, C A Kuhl, Pekin, W. H Lathrop, Newton, C J Price, Flora, R L Ranton, Sheldon, G Riddle, Leroy, O O'Reilly, Champaign, G S. Roush, Lena, C W. Keler, Carthage, F D Thompson, Spring Valley, T.H Thomas, Rock Island, J A Walter, Lockwood, S A Wilcox Quincy H McKinley, Moline, R E Moon, Fulton, W J McEldowney, Chicago Heights, H R Moberly Windsor, I Newland, Colchester

Last night Postmaster Calhoun received private telegram, informing him of his confirmation

BUSHNELL'S INAUGURATION.

Fifteen Thousand Ohioans Come to Columbus to Join in the Demonstration.

Columbus, Ohio, January 10.—This has been the most exciting inauguration ever known in Columbus Long before noon the streets were thronged with excursionists from the counties. At noon the railways estimated that there had been 15,000 arrivals on 80 excursion trains, already in Bushnell badges are in the majority, as the Hanna men are not booked to arrive till afternoon, in time for the mass convention During the forenoon the state house was surrounded by crowds yelling for Bushnell The governor came out and addressed the multitude and reviewed the delegations, one after another, till noon, when he was escorted to the elaborately decorated rotunda of the state house Members of the supreme court, legislature and other state officers occupied reserved seats. Only a small percentage of the crowd was able to get inside, but when the cheers started three they were taken up outside with gusto

The exercises were according to the usual program The oath of office was administered by Chief Justice Burkett Governor Bushnell's address was brief He made no reference to the senatorial fight He was loudly cheered and held a large reception in the executive chamber afterwards.

Corbett in "A Naval Cadet".

Manager Given announces to city and country readers of the Republican that James J. Corbett, the American pugilist, and his company will appear at the Grand opera house on the night of Thursday, February 3, in the new play "A Naval Cadet" This will be a great attraction and those wishing reserved seats should apply for them at least three days in advance.

CYCLONE HORROR.

The City of Fort Smith, Ark., Partly Wrecked by a Midnight Twister.

FIFTY PERSONS DEAD---MANY INJURED

List of the Fatalities—Track of the Storm—Churches and Homes are Destroyed—Fire Adds to the Night of Horror.

Fort Smith, Ark, January 12.—A death-dealing tornado swept through the city at 11:15 o'clock last night, bringing death and destruction Fifty persons are dead and as many more are missing. Scores of homes are wrecked and hundreds are without food and shelter

Two churches were demolished, the Baptist and Central Methodist, and the High school was badly damaged

The Dead.

The identified dead so far are.

ED FARRELL.
RED FARRELL
ROY FARRELL
IRENE FARRELL
JOHN BALL
—— KILLEY.
JOHN MARTIN
THE TWO LEFEVRE BOYS
JOE KILOS FAULX.
MRS WILL LAWSON
FRANK RICHARDSON
GEORGE GLOVER
GEORGE CARTER
LOUIS S ENGELL.
JOHN MARTIN, JR
Four Unknown

This list is far from complete The storm came from the southwest and struck the middle of Garrison avenue It destroyed all that part of the town from and including Twelfth street, west to the limits of the city, passing on east, wrecking houses and farm buildings. It struck the little town of Alma and destroyed a number of buildings Word comes from there that several lives were lost

In Fort Smith fire broke out in several places in the wrecked district, adding to the horrors of the situation, and a number of persons pinned under the wreckage are supposed to have been burned to death. The fires were finally brought under control. The situation is appalling, but efforts are being made to reduce matters to order and secure consistent search in the ruins for dead and wounded It will be many hours before the exact extent of the calamity will be known

Homes Wrecked.

The following residences were wrecked. Mrs King, the Pathobia families, Mrs Hendrix, where the family was badly injured, Wm. Warmer; John Harrington, shanty at 13th and Brechts streets, where it is reported a woman was fatally hurt and two children injured, Andrew Dowd, Mrs Clayand, Mrs Chenoweth, George Martin F H. Brown, Dr Gates where the doctor suffered two broken arms, and his wife was probably fatally hurt, with the servant girl supposed to be dead in the ruins, the Breens building, a large brick structure, unroofed, and wife of Luther Hunter badly injured. On the south side of Garrison avenue the Board's house and the two story Krone building were wrecked

Will Lawson, Ed Yaden and a butcher named Wolzey are among the injured Mrs Capt Hugh L. Rogers was badly injured, as is also R L Hitchburg

News at Little Rock

Little Rock, Ark, January 12.—According to reports received here at least 75 persons were killed in the tornado at Fort Smith last night. Nothing definite can be ascertained as telegraphic communication is shut off The division office of the Fort Smith road received a meagre report stating that the Texas corner, a large business block in Fort Smith, was completely demolished at about 8 30 this morning; 75 people reported killed, 25 missing.

Three miles below Vanburen, Ark, three lives were lost and a mile south of Alma seven are reported dead.

Course of the Tornado

Fort Smith, Ark, January 12.—Fort Smith lies at the confluence of the Pitou and Arkansas rivers, which wash its south and west sides To the north and east the hills form a barrier The storm struck the city on the southwest, right at a point where the two rivers come together and near the old fort. From there it spread out over the whole city, dipping down, scattering death, and destruction here and there The storm then rose in the city toward the east to meet the hills on that on that side and the most damage to property and loss life is through that section.

VOLUNTARY ASSIGNMENT.

The Abel Carpet Company Surrenders Its Stock for the Benefit of Creditors.

From the Daily of Wednesday.

This afternoon the Abel Carpet and Wall Paper company, doing business in the Arcade office building, made a voluntary assignment to J. W. Race for the benefit of creditors. The liabilities are about $10,500, and the assets may equal the liabilities. The definite amounts are not yet obtainable.

This firm went into business in 1887, with limited means, but the unusual prosperous condition of the country at that time enabled them when once in the channels of trade, to turn their commodities in time to meet their bills promptly. For a number of years their business prospered In the past four years it is doubtful whether any other branch of merchandising suffered as much on account of the stringency in money matters as the carpet and house furnishing business The overproduction on the market, crowded down values of stock on hand, and keen competition rendered it impossible to sell at a margin above cost of the article sold Fall trade has been very disappointing and the holiday trade in this line was next to nothing These conditions, with the almost utter impossibility to collect outstanding accounts, are causes for the inability to meet the pressing demands made on them at the beginning of the year January 3 notes amounting to about $800 were returned unpaid. Today as several drafts, aggregating a large amount, were presented for payment, notices of others coming and threats of law suits from other sources, Mr. Abel, the manager, could see no other honorable course than to assign. Mr. Abel is of the opinion that the calamity could have been averted had the creditors been willing to extend the time of payment, even a few months

Notwithstanding that merchandise and other assets are about equal to the liabilities, a forced sale in mid winter, when times are so close, will materially lessen the amount that would be realized under other conditions

HOORAY! HURRAH!

The Annual State Firemen's Summer Tournament will be Held in Decatur

IT WILL BE A WEEK OF FINE SPORT

Good News from Champaign—Decatur's $800 Tow Line Captured the Prize—Tourney will Bring a Big Crowd.

From the Daily of Wednesday

The 1898 competitive tournament of the Illinois State Firemen's Association will be held in Decatur

The decision was reached this morning at the state convention of firemen held at Champaign

Decatur delegates were there working to capture the tourney and they did it with their pledge of $800 to cover expenses

Delegate George W Kraft sent a telegram this forenoon to Marshal Mason that Decatur was selected as the city where the '98 tourney will be held, dates to be announced later

Do you know what it means?

It means a whole lot for the city.

It means a big crowd and a week or more of lively business in all branches of trade.

It means many days of extra work for the members of the Decatur Volunteer firemen.

It means the visit of many organizations and teams to compete for prizes

It means the certain coming of Blue [illegible] and her band.

[illegible] means several days of lively athletic sport and interest at the race track

Firemen's tournament week is a big thing for any city and Decatur will make the meeting outshine in interest and success the one held here a few years ago

Settled His Troubles

From the Daily of Wednesday

The troubles of Joe Bartello are being settled out of court Today the trial of rights of property was to have come up in Justice Smith's court, but Frank Same the Italian to whom Joe sold his stock, has agreed to give up his claim and the property which was in Joe's hands will be distributed among the attaching creditors They are to be settled in the following order. Stadler and McClellan, $132 50, W. P. Hunter, $85 59 T. J Osborn, $15 12, Burt and Co, $135, J W Abrams, $80. The first named have taken goods at the wholesale price sufficient to cover their claims and it is believed that there will be enough to go round for the others, or at least nearly enough Attorney McDonald, who represents Same, says that his client will get nothing He will simply trust Joe to pay him and he expects to get his money some day when Joe is richer

It apears that Bartello has some other creditors. During the last few days two drafts from Italian firms at Chicago have been received at local banks for collection The firms evidently did not know that Joe had "busted"

Bartello hopes that he will be released from jail. The settlement which has been effected finished all the civil proceedings. The creditors have no more desire now that the matter has been settled to bring criminal proceedings against Joe and if they are called before the grand jury they will testify to that effect The grand jury, however, may take the matter in their own hands and return an indictment against Joe, whether the creditors want it or not However, matters look a little brighter for Joe than they ever did before Joe has had quite enough of jail life and he thinks now that he has some chances of being released. The costs in the case amounted to $50 One of the attorneys said that he felt the case was hardly started and if they had continued the costs would have amounted to much more than the whole property was worth.

Found

N S Villars, the missing son of Rev. I. Villars, was found Tuesday in a Chicago lodging house. He disappeared December 26, and when discovered was slightly deranged.

THE BARTH CASE.

Motion to Quash the Indictments was Allowed by Judge Vail To-Day.

ONE INDICTMENT RETURNED

By the Grand Jury This Afternoon—Rawlings and Slaughter Released from Chester Penitentiary.

From the Daily of Wednesday.

The case of the People vs J W Barth and Bettie Fort, alias Bessie Young, came up today in the circuit court. The two were charged with conspiracy Bessie Young occupied a house in the north part of the city which was destroyed by fire Barth and the woman endeavored to collect $800 insurance on the goods It was alleged that the place was not on fire and that all of the goods were not destroyed Barth and the woman were indicted for conspiracy to fraudulently obtain money from the insurance company When the case came up today in the circuit court a motion was made to quash the indictment on account of technical error and after hearing the arguments Judge Vail allowed the motion

John Harrington, charged with petit larceny, was committed to the county jail for 30 days and fined $1 and costs

The grand jury this afternoon returned an indictment and then retired for further work

Charles Rawlings and Robert Slaughter who were committed to the Chester penitentiary from this city in December, 1896, have been discharged from the penitentiary on the parol law. They served 11 months and are now free men

The following are the entries on the docket

Common Law Docket

Lafayette Howard vs William O Steele, assumpsit Motion for cost bond by defendant Motion allowed and rule to file bond third Monday or justify

James M Hughes, assignee, etc, vs Peter Mash, assumpsit Motion by defendant for bill of particulars Motion allowed and rule to file same by third Wednesday

Chancery Docket.

Aaron Goodale vs Jennie Goodale, divorce Proof of publication

Mary Gissello Ewing et al vs. Harry L Oldham et al, partition Dismissed at cost of complaint.

William H Collins vs Orrie G Collins et al, partition Proof of publication made and motion by defendant for rule on complainant to file cost bond Motion allowed and rule to furnish bond or justify by second Monday

Charles C Leforgee, trustee, vs G Edward Schulz, foreclosure Proof of publication made

William J Chenoweth vs Eliza R Piper et al, bill to quiet title Proof of publication made W H Black appointed guardian ad litem for minor defendants

People's Cases

People vs William Harvey, assault to kill Motion to set default and forfeiture aside

People vs William and Henry Witt, burglary and petit larceny Motion to quash first count of indictment

People vs Jacob W Barth and Bettie Fort, alias Bessie Young, conspiracy Motion to quash indictment.

People vs Harvey Painter, grand larceny Plea of not guilty withdrawn and defendant pleads guilty Judgment that defendant be confined in reform school at Pontiac, Ill, and pay costs

People vs R Edward Hausen, embezzlement. Motion to quash indictment Motion overruled and motion for bill of particulars

G W Grabb, burglary and grand larceny Stricken with leave

David Levy grand larceny Stricken with leave by agreement and bail discharged

George W Green and Steve Tabor forgery Nolle by state's attorney Defendant and bail discharged Two indictments

Chester Posey, malicious mischief Stricken with leave

Edward Nelson, burglary and petit larceny Continued with alias

Edward Nelson, burglary and petit larceny Continued in eight cases

William Reed, grand larceny Stricken with leave

Roy Bowsman assault with intent to kill Default and forfeiture Continued with alias and sci fa

Harvey Painter grand larceny Defendant arraigned and pleads not guilty. W. N Andrews appointed to defend

George Melborn attachment for contempt Stricken

James Beckman, burglary and grand larceny Default and forfeiture. Continued with alias and sci fa.

Will Harvey, assault to kill Default and forfeiture, etc

P Swartz and John Swager, burglary and grand larceny. Verdict defendants not guilty.

William Rugh; burglary and grand larceny. Continued.

John W. Caskey, forgery. Continued with alias

John W Caskey, forgery. Six cases. Stricken with leave

Taken to Clinton.

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